

Whitehouse Tree Commission

Minutes of Meeting – October 28, 2021

Commissioners Present: Chairperson, Sheri Luedtke, Amy Schultz, Diane DeYonker, Michelle Tippie, and Mark Thomas, Village Staff Advisor.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Sheri Luedtke, at 7:45 pm. The minutes of the September 21, 2021, meeting were approved by a motion made by Diane DeYonker and seconded by Michelle Tippie. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Tree City and Growth Awards for 2021. Sheri Luedtke reported that she and Elliot Tramer are working on the Tree City and Growth Awards for 2021. Sheri expects the Tree City materials will be sent to Jill Gundy, of the Village, by the end of next week.

Tree Inventory: Mark Thomas reported that a Bradford Pear at 7314 Juneberry was removed due to storm damage. All fall trees to be planted are currently on order. Sheri Luedtke reported that a large Spruce Tree in the big island at Birch Pointe was removed. As a replacement for the Spruce, a River Birch was ordered through Delventhal Landscaping & Nursery of Waterville and they will plant it soon.

New Business: A review of Providence Streetscape Phase 3 was made. The Sweet Birch or Yellow Birch option to the River Birch was agreed upon as the Yellow Birch tolerates alkaline soil. The Ivy and Myrtle for ground cover are a good choice as they will hold up to foot traffic. A motion to approve the Streetscape as presented was made by Michelle Tippie and seconded by Diane DeYonker, motion carried.

Other Business: The November Tree Commission meeting will be held on the 3rd Thursday of November. Topics will include a Meeting Plan for 2022 and commitment of members to continue working on the Tree Commission. Mark Thomas was asked to look into the 2020 Tree City award notices that are not posted in the Village hallway.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Diane DeYonker and seconded by Michelle Tippie, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Schultz