

Ted Newkirk, Chairman
 Kathleen Heller, Secretary
 Paula Over, Treasurer
 Nancy Fellabaum
 Jeff Arpino



ALTOONA SHADE TREE COMMISSION
Minutes of May 18, 2016

In attendance: Ted Newkirk, Kathleen Heller, Nancy Fellabaum, Jeff Arpino, *Shade Tree Commission;*
 Lee Slusser, Marilyn Morgan, *staff.*

Ted Newkirk, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

1 Review and approval of November 18, 2015 minutes, motion by Kathleen, seconded by Ted. Kathleen noted that the January 20 notes are not considered minutes as there was not a quorum.

2 Public Comment: There was no public comment.

3 Treasurer's Report: Kathleen moved to approve the Report, seconded by Nancy.

4 Brief review of Spring Project:

The Spring 2016 project was approved in January. Lee summarized two separate projects underway. Three years ago, the Commission identified and treated 99 ash trees. About 70% are on 17th Street. There are 11 trees on 4th Avenue, 9 on Dove Avenue median, 9 near Wright School. This project is the second treatment. It was stated that it is "much cheaper than replacement". The second portion of the January 2016 project, now underway, includes 9 removals, 17 plantings, and 8 prunings. All the removals are also replacements.

5 Fall 2016 Project List:

The June 15, 2016 meeting will be the last chance to add or change the Project List, and Lee stated "if you see a tree need, think about it for June 15; e-mail immediately and staff will visit the site in question".

The Commission reviewed and acted upon the Project list thus far. 8 plantings were approved (4 are replacements). 4 prunings were approved. Of 11 possible removals, 6 were tabled for June. Staff sent a letter to property owners of 1329 4th Avenue adjacent to a dead tree. Difficulty in identifying 5 ash trees in the right-of-way of Crawford and 25th Avenue delayed action on that site until June.

6 Other Business: There was no other business at this meeting.

Ted asked for a motion to adjourn. Nancy motioned to adjourn the meeting and Jeff seconded with all in favor.


 Secretary, Shade Tree Commission

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