

VILLAGE OF DEXTER TREE BOARD
Monday, September 22, 2014
Regular Meeting

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm at the Village offices, 8123 Main Street.

Present: Coy, Henes, Peters, Aniol, Hansen arrived at 5:08 pm

Absent: None

Guest(s): None

Approval of the Minutes – Moved by Coy, supported by Peters to approve the May 13, 2014 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Coy, supported by Henes to approved the May 21, 2014 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board - None

Reports of Officers

- A. Chair – Ms. Henes reported that she and Ms. Hansen trimmed the Hop Hornbeam at the corner of 5th and Central Street.
- B. Tree Board Members - None
- C. Community Development Office or Department of Public Services – Ms. Aniol informed the Board of tree removals in front of Dairy Queen, the parking lot island behind Monument Park building and along Dan Hoey adjacent to the cemetery near Baker Road. Ms. Aniol also informed the board that serviceberries along the entrance to the research park on Bishop Circle would be removed and new landscaping would be installed as part of MC3's redevelopment of the former ReCellular property.

Ms. Aniol and the Board discussed replacement of trees in Huron Farms and decided to put information about the resident cost sharing program in the Village Fall Newsletter.

Old Business

A. FY 2014-15 Tree Board Goals and Objectives

There was Board consensus to focus attention on the following areas:

- 1) Mill Creek Park. Board requested a copy of the original landscape planting plan, and Mr. Peters suggested the Board may want to provide funding to Park Commission for planting in the park based on the landscape plan. Mr. Coy requested the status of the Tree Fund for next meeting.
- 2) Continue Developing Baker Road
- 3) Watch for signs of negative impacts to trees along Ann Arbor and Central Street, resulting from road construction in summer 2014.
- 4) Tree Board should conduct drive-by observations of trees around the Village.
- 5) Maintenance Pruning
- 6) Conduct thoughtful look at trees on Huron Street
- 7) Horseshoe Park- Flag trees that may be worth saving and provide a copy of survey to Board and next meeting.

B. 2015 Spring Planting

Mr. Coy recommended the Board add two species to the Planting list in the spring; 1) Shumard Oak and Accolade Elm. Consensus of the Board was to remove Zelkova trees from the list. The Board discussed adding Accolade Elm, Shumard Oak, English Oak and Amelanchier trees to the spring 2015 planting list.

C. Pruning and Trimming (added during meeting)

Board requested that DPS routinely prune Village planted trees for the first 5 years. Board indicated a willingness to train DPS or to budget for the Village Arborist to complete the pruning. Board discussed updating its pruning guidelines at its next meeting.

New Business

A. Horseshoe Park

Board discussed the possibility of planting trees at Horseshoe Park in conjunction with the construction of a new shelter. Consensus was to engage PaRC for design and placement before planting trees in spring 2015. The Board also decided it would take a field trip to the park before any trees are removed this summer.

Proposed Business For Next Agenda

- B.** Next regular meeting date – Board asked Ms. Aniol to provide a list of potential dates in mid-October for their next meeting.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Aniol
Community Development Manager

Filing Approved: April 7, 2015