

MINUTES
Versailles Shade Tree Commission
April 11, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m.

Members present were: Carl Moorman, Sharon Henry, Mike Berger, Ginger Magoto and Village Administrator, Rodd Hale.

Administrator Hale requested an addition to the agenda, adding Item D, discussion regarding language in the current Shade Tree ordinance. A motion to approve the meeting Agenda with the requested change was made by Ginger Magoto seconded by Carl Moorman. Vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve the Minutes from the February 28, 2018 meeting was made by Sharon Henry, seconded by Ginger Magoto. Vote: all yeas.

The Commission reviewed the recent approved tree removal applications from residents at 43 W. Wood, 125 Reed Ave., and 180 Heritage Ct.

The Shade Tree Commission then discussed and approved 25 winners of the 2018 Tree Lottery program. The Village had approved giving away 30 trees however only 25 applications were received. A motion to approve the applicants was made by Carl Moorman and seconded by Sharon Henry. Vote: all yeas.

Discussion was then held regarding the 2018 Arbor Day celebration to be held on April 27th. A Red Oak tree has been chosen to be planted at the Greenlawn Cemetery this year. This year the celebration will be considered an official meeting.

Discussion was then held regarding language in the current Shade Tree ordinance. It was discussed that the current ordinance does not reflect the Tree Commission's recent recommendation and approval of Village Council to now give away 30 trees instead of the originally approved 15. Additionally, language also currently states a property owner must live in town to participate in the lottery. The commission agreed it should be acceptable that someone who owns property within the village, even if they do not currently live in the village, should be able to participate in the lottery as long as the tree will be planted on a property they own within the Village. An example is a landlord owning a rental property within the Village or a business owner of property within the Village. A motion to recommend a change in the ordinance language was made by Sharon Henry, seconded by Carl Moorman. Vote: all yeas.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ginger Magoto, seconded by Carl Moorman. Vote: all yeas.

Meeting adjourned.

Tree Commission Chairman

Rodd Hale
Village Administrator