

2020 FORESTRY AND BEAUTIFICATION

MINUTES FOR AUGUST 12, 2020

Georgette Cole, Chair, called the meeting to order (online via Zoom) at 7:32 pm. Attendees: Georgette Cole (Chair), Audrey Maskery, Cynthia Werts, Jay Everhart, Paula Puglisi, Joan Mahaffey, and Gray Yachup (Council Liaison).

The agenda was reviewed with one item added for discussion (remediation of problem areas). It was then approved, as amended, by general consensus.

The draft minutes from the June 10, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Jay motioned to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Audrey. The motion carried 6-0.

Planning for Fall tree planting: Georgette will prepare a list of trees suitable for planting in the fall. She will have the list available for members to review and discuss at the next F&B meeting in September. Stadler Nurseries will have their trees on sale mid-to-late September. With not having an accurate date of completion for the WSSC project along Grove Avenue, it was decided that it would be more beneficial to hold off planting any new trees in this area until the spring of 2021. Another priority area for fall planting is The Circle. It was agreed that more native species of canopy trees be planted in this area.

Remediation of problem areas: These specific areas include Wade Park and Zoe Park. After some discussion, it was decided that a couple of group walks (to accommodate everyone's schedule) would be very helpful in defining what to do and what types of trees would be best suited for planting. The first walk will take place on Monday, August 17th, at 10:00 am, with the second walk scheduled for Friday, August 21st, at 10:00 am. Jay will attend the second walk and has volunteered to show everyone the procedure for collecting and submitting soil samples - this would be very helpful in the problem area on the western side of Wade Park where four previously planted trees have died in the last 10 years). The Circle will also be reviewed on these walks to identify planting sites.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Cynthia Werts

