

**Tree Commission**  
**Thursday, October 27, 2016**  
**6:00 PM**  
**Town Hall Council Chambers and Conference Room 27 East Main Street**  
**Minutes**

Attendees: Jerry Unroe, Co-chair; Phillip Butto; Tom Munn, Public Works Superintendent; Dan Szoeh; William Robinson; Alex Keleman, City Council Liaison

Guest(s): None

Absent: Linda O'Neil, Co-chair; Marilyn Olzmann, Hudson Garden Club Liaison

Minutes Approval: Minutes of the September 22, 2016 meeting were read and approved.

Public Comment: None

Reports/Presentations

1. City Council Liaison
  - Nothing to Report
2. Hudson Garden Club Liaison
  - Nothing to Report - Garden Club Liaison not in attendance
3. Urban Forestry - City Arborist
  - Dead ash trees on Brentwood are down, and stumps being ground. New trees planted 2017.  
A letter will be sent to residents with a choice of four (4) trees. The most popular tree selected will be what they receive. Also new trees planted on Wilshire Parkway 2017.
  - Tree removals next year mainly ash trees behind Barlow Pond, YDC property, and Cemetery. These City trees are within striking distance of public.
  - Trees all around town marked with pink dots for removal. If Tree Commission has any questions concerning a specific tree call Mr. Munn.
  - Final phase of Barlow Hill building of new roads.
  - Barlow Road intersection improvements next year. Adding sidewalks and trails on north side of road between Terex and Route 91. On Barlow Rd. Hudson Public Power lines on north side of road, trees will be removed. Mr. Keleman said early next year replacing trees will be in the design plan. There will be a public meeting.
4. Commission Discussion
  - Mr. Robinson asked the status of Lake Christine. Mr. Munn said it's still in

the approval phase. Trees need to be cleared before Indiana Bat regulations deadline in March.

- Heritage Trees put on hold.
- Mr. Munn tagged the trees at Davis Valley (Exclamation London Plane) and Davey Wooster (Accolade Elm) for purchase by Mr. Excavator for Main Streetscape.
- Schedule meeting date with City Manager. Let Mr. Munn know he will check with her.
- Mr. Unroe had no response from school in regards to the Arbor Day location. Mr. Keleman suggested trying a School Board meeting. Mr. Munn said Arbor Day is the last Friday in April in case they ask. Mr. Butto mentioned Earth Day in conjunction with Arbor Day.
- Presenting Arbor Day award at City Council presentation or combine with City Manager meeting. Mr. Munn said presenting the award with cameras would be nice. Scheduling a meeting or workshop with City Council needs to wait until January.
- Mr. Keleman said City Council presentation should be a report stating major activities the Tree Commission has been involved in, and what the Tree Commission future plans are for 2017. Tree Commission also wants to thank City Council for their part in Silva Cell decision. Mr. Keleman will talk to Mrs. Slagle to schedule a January meeting.
- Tree Commission members met downtown and discussed the placement of the eleven trees with one spare at the North Main Streetscape.

Resolution:

1. North Main, west side, between Park and Clinton- four (4): London Plane “ Exclamation”
2. North Main, west side, between Clinton and Owen Brown-four (4): “Accolade” Elm.
3. North Main, east side, north of Clock Tower starting at Brewster mansion and heading north: one (1) Accolade Elm, one (1) Accolade Elm, and then one (1) London Plane.

Purple Robe Locust across the street on the Clock Tower Green and Merino Green. Mr. Unroe made motion on North Main Streetscape placement of trees. Mr. Szoch second. Vote Unanimous. Mr. Munn will let City Engineer know the placement of trees.

- A resident sent a letter asking Tree Commission to view hazardous trees on Division St. Mr. Munn and Mr. Siewert of ODNR did a computerized inventory of trees on Division St. Discuss at next meeting. Mr. Munn will e-mail resident to let him know it was discussed and we will keep him posted.

Closure to meeting:

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference room of Public Works Department.

Mr. Szoch moved to adjourn the meeting, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes were submitted by Patty Fohner, Public Works Account Clerk II

Jerry Unroe, Co-Chairman\_\_\_\_\_

Linda O'Neil, Co-Chairman \_\_\_\_\_