

## Tree Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 15, 2016

49 State Street, (Village Hall), Brockport, NY 14420

**Present:** Margay Blackman, Melissa Brown, Chris Collier, Keith Marshall and Merrill Melnick

**Minutes:** Motion by Melissa and seconded by Margay to approve the amended minutes from the February 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. The minutes were unanimously accepted.

**Urban Forestry Management Plan:** The committee reviewed the latest version of the forestry plan. Merrill had suggestions on rewording parts of the document. He also found math errors in Table 5. Chris will forward changes to Andy.

It was felt that the objectives for this year should be prioritized.

We need to make sure that the DPW notifies the board regarding all scheduled tree work.

There is \$1,000 budgeted per year for Andy's expertise. A specific product will include the development of an arboricultural standards and specifications document.

As soon as the NYS DEC urban forestry grant is available, the board should apply for it.

**Arbor Day, 2016:** This year's Arbor Day will be held on Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Twenty one Hawthorn trees will be planted in the spaces left between the trees planted last year. Rick will get the trees.

We will get information about Arbor Day out to the Brockport community as well as recruit volunteers. Margay will take care of the Suburban News press release and place a notice in the Daily Eagle. Buck Noble needs to be notified and Merrill will contact Mrs. Sherman at Barclay Elementary School. Dave Mihalyov should get a personal invitation.

Posters/flyers need to be made and when ready, Chris will post them in Sara's, Kirby's, Java Junction and other shops on Main Street.

**Membership Update:** Margay has officially resigned as chairperson; the new chairperson is Ed Lehman while Melissa Brown is the new vice chairperson.

We still need two members. Merrill will speak to David Ball and see if he might be interested while Melissa will see if anyone on The College at Brockport's 'Sustainability Board' is interested. Margay will ask Sam Bingay (the board's college student rep.) if he knows anyone who might be interested in joining the tree board.

**Information Meeting:** In the near future, Margay will meet with Ed, Melissa and Chris. She will discuss tree board policies, procedures and responsibilities.

**Next Meeting and Adjournment:** The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at the Village Hall.

At 8:17 P.M., the meeting was adjourned; motion by Keith, seconded by Melissa.

Chris Collier, Secretary