

Tree Board Meeting Minutes (Approved)

Wednesday, July 17, 2013

Emily Knapp Museum, Village Hall, State Street, Brockport, NY

Attendance: I. Blount, R. Lair, J. Morris, M. Blackman, Cheryl Blount (Temporary Secretary)

Minutes: J. Morris made the motion seconded by I. Blount to approve the April 16, 2013 minutes; minutes were approved unanimously by those present though not a quorum. Final approval can occur at next meeting after distribution to the remainder of the members.

Discussion: Agenda Topics

JAMES H. STULL PLAQUE: Ian gave the plaque to Rick, who will see that it is affixed to a stone and then to be placed with the memorial tree in Remembrance Park. The cost for the plaque was \$166. Ian will tell Neala Stull that the plaque is ready for installation and will ask if she and her family would like a gathering for the installation with coverage in local newspapers and with photos.

T-SHIRT ORDERS: It was clarified that the t-shirt orders were to be in by June 28, but a purchase order to the vendor is needed to be done. Ian will check with L. Morelli to compile the final orders and to do the purchase order.

SETTING UP A TREASURER'S REPORT: Jackie can call in to get balances from Dan Hendricks, and he will also provide information on recent expenditures and other budget updates.

EAB PREVENTATIVE MEASURES/UPDATE ON CORBETT PARK TREES: Ian contacted Luke Vandervort early this week and has not heard back from him. Rick reported that about 33% of the identified trees do not need to be saved. About 17 trees should be saved. We need to get the figures for treating 17 EAB's. Rick mentioned that all possible providers who would be considered for this work must be certified insecticide sprayers. It was also discussed that in regards to trees in Corbett Park, village resident Nancy McCann had inquired about removal of some trees there and that she had attended the Village Board meeting in June to ask about this possibility and the process required to be followed.

TREE DONATION JARS: Margay suggested dividing up the collecting of the money in the jars and she also reported that in the January to June period, \$424.08 was taken in. Jackie will see that letters are sent out to the jar hosts.

NATIONAL GRID REIMBURSEMENT SURVEY: Ian reported that the survey was done but he has not yet heard back from Brian Skinner. Main and Barry Street. The Village will get a copy of this survey.

FALL TREE PLANTINGS: Doug Westcott on Glendale wants a tree planted. Wait till Andy does his survey of trees before doing this so all new trees can be ordered and done at the same time.

NEW MEMBERS: Margay reported that at the Village Board meeting, she signed letters of those who applied for membership on our committee. They are Chris Collier and Sandy Cane. Hanny Heyen also reapplied. Todd Longstreth has resigned due to family obligations.

OTHER:

GIFT CARD FOR PAM KETCHUM: Margay reported that Pam personally paid for plants and roses to be planted in various gardens in the village and therefore was unable to be afforded the tax exempt status on the purchases. Margay suggested a gift card, perhaps to Sara's, be given to Pam to help reimburse her for expenses.

DPW REP on TREE BOARD COMMITTEE: Margay will talk with Harry at the DPW about the condition of the Horse Chestnut Tree on Park Avenue and about having a DPW staff member to be a rep on the Committee.

There also was brief discussion on the Arborware software program and the tree survey, which is web-based, and all can now access it.

Motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. was unanimous.

Cheryl Blount, Temporary Secretary