

## **Tree Board Meeting Minutes** (Approved)

Tuesday, March 18, 2014  
49 State Street (Village Hall), Brockport, NY 14420

**Attendance:** Ian Blount, Chairman; Margay Blackman, Cheryl Blount, Sandy Cain, Chris Collier, Kathy Goetz, Hanny Heyen, Rick Lair, Jackie Morris, Tom Nelson, and Keith Marshall, DPW representative

Ian called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

**Minutes:** Motion by Chris, seconded by Cheryl to accept the February 18, 2014 minutes as presented; passed unanimously with one abstention from Hanny who was not present at that meeting.

**Donation Jars Report/Treasury Report:** Chris reported that \$33.56 was collected and will be deposited for March. She said two locations lost their jars, so she will see that new ones are delivered to them. As update info, she also reported that so far this year \$85.70 has been taken in and that last year's total was \$786.83

Still no treasury report since no contact has been made with Dan Hendricks. Margay said that he is supposed to be in the Village offices on Monday and Wednesday.

### **Discussion: Agenda Topics**

#### **Arbor Day Details:**

Ian thanked Rick for his survey of the Adams Street trees. It was discussed that trees should be planted on the side without wires (North) and possible species were named: Serviceberry, Sweet Gum, London plane, Tulip tree, Hawthorne cultivar. Ian and Rick will make the final decision.

Tee-Shirts/Flyers: Ian has an appointment next week to meet with staff from Lamont Trophies to get the shirts ordered. Their price may be cheaper than Ultimate Sports Apparel. Everyone agreed that more large and x-large sizes should be ordered this year. Ian has been working on the design and considered not having a date on them. Rick suggested that he be given the order forms as quickly as possible because he thinks there will be more opportunity to sell more and have them ready for those buying them to wear them on Arbor Day. Ian said he will e-mail the forms and flyers out to the committee members, and they can forward them along to other interested groups and individuals such as for Hanny to send on to the Parks Committee, Chris Dailey at the Seymour Library, the Brockport schools (Deb Moyer), Kathy Goetz to send to Morgan-Manning House committee members, and for Rick to pass along to the SUNY Brockport webpage (and Daily Eagle).

Tree Planting: Keith will check with Harry at DPW about trees that are dead and about storm sewers. He will e-mail Ian on it.

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### **Arbor Day** – continued:

Ian will contact Rosemary Catlin and Buck Noble about their participation in Arbor Day activities. He will also prepare a press release for print. He will send to Leslie the draft letter that needs to go out to the neighbors. She will mail them out.

Ian passed out a list of Adams Street tree needs provided by Rick that determines the potential to have 10 or 11 tree spaces filled along the street.

### **Rite Aid Plaza Redevelopment Project:**

The owners of this property at the corner of West Avenue and Rt. 19 (Main St./N. Lake Rd.) contacted Ian to ask for assistance from the Tree Board in the selection of tree plantings around the property after Rite Aid completes renovation plans to enlarge the size of their store and adding a drive-up pharmacy window facing west near Rogers Florist property. The Planning Board asked David Hall from Ellicott Development Corp. to join us at a future meeting.

### **Update re Submission for National Grid Reimbursement from 2013 Plantings:**

Ian will be submitting the reimbursement form to cover the two trees that didn't make it on Clark and Barry Street last year. We get back \$50 for every appropriate tree planted below utility lines in 2013. He is still waiting for Leslie to provide him with the maps he needs before submitting the reimbursement form.

### **Corbett Park Fence Replacement:**

The Parks Committee has wanted to upgrade the fence at Corbett Park, running north – south to the canal. Hanny said a natural, living fence is being considered instead of a manufactured fence. The DPW has to determine the fence replacement. Rick agreed to meet Hanny at Corbett Park and perhaps they can be joined by Keith or Harry to discuss this further at that meeting.

### **Other:**

- Additional mention was made that the grant writers said you have to have a Tree Management Program in place in order to get the Citizen Pruning grant.

### **Adjournment:**

Moved by Kathy and seconded by Sandy, passed unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Cheryl Blount, Secretary

**Next meeting date: Tuesday, May 20, 2014**