

January 14, 2025

Tree Commission Meeting

Commission Members Present: Larry Hohlman, Roger Domokos, Jerry Tarolli, Lisa Bodi

Commission Members Not Present: Ed Urban

Guests: Paul Christman, Amy Pugh and Devin Woods from Port Clinton Police Department

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Public Presentation from Amy Pugh and Devin Woods of the Port Clinton Police Department to request a memorial tree planted for recently deceased K-9 Officer "Spike". They have requested a tree to commemorate Spike and his handler Josh Nelson be planted in town. Specifics of the tree and its location will be decided at a later time.

New Business

Commissioner Hohlman shared his concern over two trees removed from Adams St Park, while only one tree was documented, that were removed without permits. Paul Christman was going to investigate and follow up.

Paul Christman shared an up to date document of trees removed by Edwards tree service per the grant. He also noted that Edwards tree service did make some executive decisions for the removal of some hollow trees. So far 38 trees have been removed within the last month. He was also in the process of hiring an Urban Forester to help in the planning and re-planting of new trees in the city.

Paul Christman and Lisa Bodi attended the Tree Academy(freshman class) in Sandusky Ohio January 8th and 9th.

719 Madison St tree trim requested Jerry Tarolli made the motion and Lisa Bodi seconded. All approved the motion.

328 Adams St tree removal request of 4 trees denied after discussion Jerry Tarolli made the motion and Lisa Bodi seconded. All approved.

Old Business

1719 E State St was removed, which was originally requested 1/3/2024

A Third St homeowner that did not want their tree removed was assessed by Steph Miller. Her decision was that it was a "medium risk tree" and it will not be removed according to Christman.

Discussion

Paul Christman said that all Bradford Pear trees(invasive) would be removed and replaced as soon as possible with appropriate trees. He also noted that there will be no stump grinding at this time.

Public Comment - None

Next Meeting: February 10, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Adjourn

Larry Hohlman moved to adjourn at 5:30, seconded by Jerry Tarolli