

FORESTRY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 12, 2018 @ 8:00 a.m.

OCONTO CITY HALL/CONFERENCE RM.

- 1.) Chairman Jeff Werner called the meeting to order @ 8:02 a.m.
- 2.) Roll Call: Don Denor, Tom Sasse, Orlando Sohrweide, Jeff Werner
Also Present: Director of Parks, Rec. and Forestry John Bostedt
- 3.) **Approval of the agenda was motioned by Denor with a Sohrweide second. (4 Ayes)**
- 4.) **Sohrweide called for approval of meeting minutes from 5/1/2018; Sasse seconded. (M/C)**
- 5.) Public Input: Sohrweide mentioned public disappointment of Arbor Day tree planting; Denor brought up the concept of goats eating Buckthorn and Honeysuckle (labor saving/future concept); Sasse, on line with a Plants and Wildlife of WI Face Book group noted its recent findings; Bostedt appreciated Main St. compliments after Copperfest weekend.
- 6.) Correspondence: Northeastern WI Forest Health Update WI DNR— Director Bostedt will see that it is e-mailed when it arrives @ his desk.

7.) Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:

- a.) Tree City Growth Award for 2018— Tabled.
- b.) 2018 Tree Planting/Activity Schedule— Denor has been in contact with the middle school: Arbor Day will have to be scheduled with the 7th graders (approx. 40 students) @ the end of September/early October. The same Arbor Day schedule will be applicable. (This causes a scheduling challenge due to shared teachers... but we'll have trees and it may be more conducive to planting.) Perhaps it will change planting seasons in the future. ShopKo determined we will be planting mostly Maples.
- c.) 2018 Spring Meacham Nursery Availability Packet— Nothing this spring.
- d.) Update on Oconto Shopko Plantings— Decisions will be continued @ the July meeting.
- e.) Put up 2018 Posters/Remove 2017— This activity will be delayed until fall. Present posters, still of public interest, will remain.

Bostedt updated the committee on City tree pruning: Pecor, Main, and Superior, as well as, other main streets usages, and those parallel to Main have been completed already. Werner also discussed the Sherman tree which is thriving: quite a feat.

8.) Next Meeting Date/Time: **Thursday, July 12 @ 8 a.m.**

Agenda Items: Tree City Growth Award for 2018

- 9.) **Denor issued adjournment @ 8:30 a.m. Sohrweide voiced second. (M/C)**

Minutes submitted by
Susan K. Seidl