

FORESTRY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, February 6th, 2018 @ 8:00 A.M.
OCONTO CITY HALL

- 1.) The February Forestry Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Werner@ 8:05 a.m.
- 2.) Roll Call: Don Denor, Orlando Sohrweide, Tom Sasse, Jeff Werner
Also Present: Director of Parks, Rec., and Forestry John Bostedt
- 3.) **The Agenda was approved via motion by Denor with a Sohrweide second. (4 Ayes)**
- 4.) **Approval of Meeting Minutes from 1/9/2018 was called into motion by Sasse; Sohrweide seconded. (4 Ayes)**
- 5.) Public Input: None.
- 6.) Correspondence: We are anticipating the next Northeastern WI Forest Health Update from WI/DNR.
- 7.) Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:
 - a.) We continue to ponder Tree City Growth Award 2018 selections.
 - b.) 2018 Poster Contest— The Committee chose a new theme: **Denor moved to select “Trees produce” as the 2018 Poster Contest theme; Sasse called second. (4 Ayes)**
The middle school will have an open window of March 5 – April 5; 12x18” art department paper will be utilized. Geocaching will occur this year.
 - c.) 2018 Spring Meacham Nursery Availability Packet was received with the Committee agenda. Members discussed diversity and suggested the following choices: Morton Elm, Cedar, Cork tree, our present plantings of Japanese Lilac. It was also concluded that the Kentucky Coffee is pollution and disease resistant; Morton Elm is ranked less susceptible to diseases; to go small with oaks because of heavy tap root; Cedar is reliable, and that Guava would add to the diversity.
 - d.) 2018 WAA/DNR Annual Conference - Green Bay February 18th -20th, 2018 – Attendance day will be Tuesday, 2/20. Meet at City Hall @ 7:15 a.m. Denor and Sasse will attend from the Committee.
 - e.) Trees Cut Down: All except Madison St. by the middle school which is being deliberated with Maintenance Manager Brian Potter.
 - i. Michigan Ave.
 - ii. Madison St. by School
 - iii. First St.
 - iv. Corner of Congress St./Jones Ave.
 - v. Park Ave. (Cottonwoods)
 - vi. Behind YAK FAB
- 8.) Next Meeting Date/Time: Tuesday, March 6 @ 8 a.m.
Agenda Items: May 9th Shopko Oconto Plantings (15-16 trees) with students
- 9.) **Denor called motion for adjournment @ 8:50 a.m. Sasse voiced second. (M/C)**

Minutes submitted by
Susan K. Seidl