

**TREE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO
THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2009 - 6:30 P.M.
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX - TRIANGLE CONFERENCE ROOM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Melissa Reed, Melissa Randles, Judy Terry, Regina Favorite,
and Don Ruffner

STAFF PRESENT: Bob Graeser

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bradley Boehringer

MEETING MINUTES

Don Ruffner made the motion to accept the minutes from April's meeting,
Melissa Reed seconded the motion.

ITEM NO 1. TREE CITY USA

Bob Graeser noted that the Tree City USA ceremony and luncheon was fun. He also mentioned that he would like to help organize a tree meeting with Troy, Tipp City, Piqua, and Sidney to discuss the Emerald Ash Borer. This is still in the planning stages.

ITEM NO 2. RIVERSIDE SIDEWALKS

Amy Havenar would like to hold an appeals meeting concerning tree removal on Riverside Drive. The sidewalks need to be replaced from Main Street to Broadway on both sides of the street. The tree committee decided that the meeting should be held on May 28th and that the time would be decided at some point in the future.

ITEM NO 3. ARBOR DAY

Bob Graeser announced that the Arbor Day ceremony was a success even though the date had to be moved from April 20th to April 23rd because of rain.

ITEM NO 4. NICKLIN AVENUE

Bob Graeser will be ordering trees for Nicklin Avenue within the week and, if possible, the trees will be planted by the end of May.

ITEM NO 5. MISCELLANEOUS

The tree committee asked Bob to look into several matters:

1. Canal Place stumps need to be removed
2. Hazard tree at College and Greene Streets.
3. Pine trees at Giles Park.
4. Stump in tree lawn on Greene Street near Franklin and Walnut.
5. County Road 25A trees need dirt removal - possible volunteer effort is in the planning stages.

ITEM NO 6. RIVERSIDE PARKING LOT MEETING

A meeting was called by Bob Graeser for Monday, May 11th. Don Ruffner, Regina Favorite, Melissa Reed, Bob Graeser, and Melissa Randles were present to discuss the fate of one of the large London Plane trees that would be affected by a project involving the relocation of a power line. The committee agreed that it would be best to prune the tree instead of removing it completely.

END OF MEETING

Don Ruffner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Judy Terry seconded the motion.

Melissa Randles, Chairperson

Passed: _____

Attest: _____
Bob Graeser
Staff Secretary