

**TREE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO
THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2017 – 3:00 P.M.
ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Judy Terry, Jim Vetter, Randi Simon-Serey and Diane Hart,

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

GUEST: None

STAFF PRESENT: Bob Graeser

MEETING MINUTES

Judy Terry motioned to accept the minutes from April 4, 2017, Jim Vetter seconded the motion.

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

The City of Piqua annual Arbor Day event went well. Bob said that Connie Strehle, Principal of Springcreek, was delighted with the event and wants to have it at the school again next year. Bob said that it is easier to have the event at a previous location, and the City of Piqua would be happy to have it at Springcreek again. The event was made possible with the City's partners in the event, Pioneer Rural Electric and Tree Care Inc. All the students were able to participate in planting the tree and received coloring books. The event was well attended with members of the tree committee, the City staff and residents of the community.

TREES ON CALDWELL.

The trees were delivered on Tuesday, May 2 and they will be getting dug Friday. The students of Upper Valley Career Center, Environmental Occupations Junior Class will be planting the trees on Monday, May 8 at 9:00 A.M.

CITY WIDE CLEAN-UP

City wide clean up is on this Saturday, May 6. Jim Vetter will be leading the group for the clean-up at Goodrich-Giles Park, and he said he plans to start at 9:00 A.M. weather permitting.

TREE CITY USA GROWTH AWARD

Bob reported that for the first time the City of Piqua received the Tree City USA Growth Award. This award is given to communities that have shown growth according to the standards set forth by the ODNR guidelines. The City has received the award for Tree City USA for 22 years, however this was the first time the City has received this award. The banquet was held on Friday, April 21 in Lebanon, Ohio.

OTHER BUSINESS

The meeting dates for the summer have been changed to accommodate every member's schedule. Meetings are as scheduled:

- Monday, June 5 at 3:00 P.M. in the Administration Conference Room.
- No July meeting
- Tuesday, August 8 at 3:00 P.M. in the Administration Conference Room.

ADJOURN

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Jim Vetter, and seconded by Randi Simon-Serey. The next meeting is June 5, 2017 at 3:00 P.M. in the Administration Conference Room.

Minutes prepared by Bob Graeser, Staff Secretary.