

**TREE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO
TUESDAY APRIL 3, 2018 – 4:00 P.M.
ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Vetter, Diane Hart, and Steve Trostel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kris Lee, Randi Simon-Serey

GUEST:

STAFF PRESENT: Bob Graeser

MEETING MINUTES

Jim Vetter motioned to accept the minutes from March 2018 meeting Diane Hart seconded the motion.

TRANSPLANTING TREES FROM THE GOLF COURSE

Bob said that they have found a lot of trees in the no mow area at the golf course that perhaps can be transplanted to a location for the Piqua City Schools. Bob said that he had to meet with Dave Meurer with Tree Care Inc, help to give directions on proper transplant procedures. Bob said that he has to arrange with PCS to see if there is a preferred site to for this work. Jim Vetter said that he contacted Scott Bloom who is the Curricular Director for PSC, who would be the contract person designated for this project.

ADVANCE PLANTING TREES WITH UVCC.

Bob said that he has been working to advance the idea of working to collaborate with UVCC Environmental Occupations class, and the Landscape Management class effort to promote student involvement as well as increasing our right of way trees population of the future. The city would purchase new smaller bare root trees or small container trees and have the students teams raise the trees, after a two years that trees would be larger and could be moved into preselected locations in the right of way. The trees would be renewed every year so as to keep a steady population of trees the city could use every year.

COMMERCIAL STREET

The committee discussed the planting zone that was created when the Commercial Street Project was done last year. Bob showed the committee what were some good locations for tree planting in the intersection of Roosevelt, College and Garnsey. Jim Vetter said that they (Southview Neighborhood Association) could submit for a grant to underwrite the cost of new trees in this intersection.

Other planting locations;

Bob mentioned that he wanted to plant some trees at the YWCA, in front of the Plaza, as well as the trees on the exit/entrance ramps of I-75

MOTE PARK TREES

Jim mentioned the placement of some trees on the north and south entry area of the entry off of Gordon Street. These areas would have to be checked to see if this would be on the property of the park.

ADJOURN

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Steve Trostel, and seconded by Diane Hart. The next meeting is May 1, 2018 at 4:00 P.M. in the Fort Piqua Plaza fourth floor Board Room.

Minutes prepared by Bob Graeser, Staff Secretary.