

**TREE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO
TUESDAY AUGUST 7, 2018 – 4:00 P.M.
ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Diane Hart, Steve Trostel, and Randi Simon-Serey.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jim Vetter, and Kris Lee

GUEST:

STAFF PRESENT: Bob Graeser

MEETING MINUTES

Steve Trostel motioned to accept the minutes from May 2018 meeting Randi Simon-Serey seconded the motion.

HAZARD TREE LIST

Bob said he does a hazard tree survey twice a year. He does a survey before submitting a budget and he does a survey before the work is done to make sure the trees haven't been removed. He has completed the survey for next year's hazard tree removals. Bob will send Steve the Ash tree and Hazard tree lists.

CALDWELL TREE

Bob said a tree in the 500 block of Caldwell fell with no wind. The tree only caused damage to the sidewalk when it fell. Bob said that there were no signs that the tree was ready to fall.

CARR ST TREE

Bob told the committee about the 51" tree that was removed from an alley behind a Carr Street house. Bob said Tree Care had to lift the tree over the house to remove it from the alley.

PCS TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

Bob said would like to get a growth award by planting trees on Piqua City Schools' properties. Earlier in the year with the help of the UVCC, the committee planted some trees in the Nicklin Garden Tribe; Bob said that he would like to plant some additional trees there this year.

FALL TREE PLANTING

Bob is hoping to plant Ginkgo trees in front of the YWCA this fall. The committee discussed which trees to plant on the I-75 exit ramps at 36. Bob would like a plain tree that can handle wet ground. Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry single stem was suggested. Bob will send Steve the budget for the ramp trees.

TREE CAMPUS USA

Steve mentioned having Tree Campus USA qualification in Piqua. It's for colleges and universities, but he was wondering if Piqua could include the PCS and UVCC since they connect with Edison. Edison would have to follow the same guidelines that Piqua does to qualify for Tree City USA.

ADJOURN

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Steve Trostel, and Diane Hart seconded. The next meeting is October 6, 2018 at 4:00 P.M. in the Administration Conference Room.

Minutes prepared by Bob Graeser, Staff Secretary.