

Westwood Shade Tree Advisory Committee - Minutes – May 13, 2013

Attendance: S. Scherba, L. Hayes, V. Sauer, J. Russo, and J. Sciarra, Council Liaison
Meeting began at 7:30 PM

The meeting was called to order by Linda Hayes at 7:30 PM, Sheryl Scherba read the Open Public Meetings Law Statement: "This meeting which conforms to the Open Public Meetings Law, Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975, is a regular Westwood Shade Tree Advisory Meeting. Notices have been filed with our local official newspapers and posted on the municipal bulletin board."

The minutes of March and April 2013 have not been voted on – they will be voted on at the June 2013 meeting.

Telephone Messages:

- **Tree Request**
 - 95 Euclid Ave
 - 148 Second Avenue – on Elm Street side 2
 - 196 Fourth Avenue
 - 166 Mill Street
- **Tree Rejections**
 - 131 Harding Ave
 - 32 Kingsberry Avenue
 - 29 Kingsberry Avenue
 - 37 Kingsberry Aveue
 - 42 Kingsberry Avenue
 - 44 Harding Avenue
 - 69 Kingsberry Avenue
- Resident called and wanted to donate azaleas
- 63 Sealy wants info and has sprinkler system in response to tree site
- 11 Berkely has question about debris clean up
- Question about cutting down a tree

No one from the public attended this meeting.

Council Liaison report -

- The budget approved for 2013 is \$5720
- The amount in the shade tree restitution fund is \$12649.96

Grant Approval for 5 Year Management Plan

The resolution to hire Paul Cowie was voted on and approved.

Arbor Day:

- Sapling White Pine trees were available in the library and Municipal building.
- Posters commemorating Westwood's 10 year Tree City USA award were prepared by Maria Russo

Current Issues:

Spring Tree Planting

Trees arrived from Johnson Farms in containers

- Japanese Tree Lilac
- American Elm
- Green Vase Zelcova

Tree Pruning

It was discussed for our members to keep a list of tree areas that need to be pruned for Bill Murtaugh.

Veterans Park

Due to the work being done in Veterans Park, we may lose some recently planted trees – It was discussed that we may be able to possibly move and replant them. John Russo advised that performing this activity in the spring or fall is optimal as replanting during the summer would probably kill them.

CVS

In April WSTAC sent a letter to Boswell with our recommendations for the area in question.

Meeting ended at 8:30PM