

Tree Board Committee Meeting – April 20, 2010
Meeting was held in the Village Office Room, 177 E. Main Street.

Item#1 – Meeting was called to order by Village Clerk, Diane Lemke at 12:05 P.M.

Item#2 – Meeting notice given to the Campbellsport News, National Exchange, Post Office, Library and posted at the Village Hall and in compliance with the open meeting law.

Roll Call: Sherry Boedeker, Dean Uelmen, Olivia Witthun. Diane Clark, Mark Gruber, Brandon Thieme, Diane Lemke, Ryan Koll and Bill Hess

Others in attendance: Olivia Witthun of the DNR

Dean Uelmen and Sherry Boedeker were welcomed to the tree board as new members.

Item#3 – **Motion** by Mark Gruber, seconded by Ryan Koll to accept the minutes of the April 3, 2009 meeting as were presented. Motion carried.

Item#4 – Diane Clark said an oak tree was planted for Arbor Day in Columbus Parc behind diamond #2 and came from the tree nursery. Diane also informed the tree board members that there were two(2) memorial trees planted(Reese family for Christa and Gruber family for Madison).

There are currently 21 trees in the nursery which are ready to be transplanted. We definitely need to move 10-12 trees in 2010.

Item#5 – Diane Clark stated that 60 plants are needed to plant around the business district trees. The Campbellsport Chamber has voted to donate monies for the plants. Five trees were done last year and the plants look healthy and survived the winter. Diane believes there are 29 trees in total in the business district. Planting around the trees should begin to grow and supply foliage to cover the complete area.

A concern by a Chamber Member after their meeting was made to Diane Lemke about bikes and people running on and thru the areas around the trees and asked if removal fencing could be placed around trees until the plants mature.

Item#6 – Diane Clark said no more trees should be planted on the library property. One more tree could be planted at the wellhouse. A few residents have inquired about planting trees in the terrace area. Discussion on the type of trees and how wide the terraces are in some parts of the village. It was stated that the village does have a policy where residents can purchase a nursery tree and get reimbursed a nominal amount when it reaches a maturity date and is healthy as specified. It was also suggested that the cost of transplanting should be bore by the property owner

Question was raised about being proactive and taking more ash trees down in Fireman's Park and putting nursery trees in to replace them. It was decided that someone should attend a Fire Dept. to ask and gather input on their long range plans for the park and enhancements before planting trees. Currently there are 20-30 ash trees that should be taken down and need their help with the expense. There are also a few areas in Columbus Parc where trees could be placed. It was also suggested if someone wants to take down a healthy tree that they would be required to replace it with two other trees.

News articles have been put in the paper informing citizens of EAB and the proper maintenance for trees.

Item#7 – It was suggested that village tree board should set up a policy/plan for transplanting trees from the nursery. A price of \$200+ was suggested for the village to do or arrange the tree transplanting and warranty. Property owners would be responsible for maintenance such as

feeding and watering the trees. We could possibly copy the plan that West Bend has for a tree plan.

The village is always welcome to Memorials for tree placement and should make the public aware of trees available for this purpose. The Village will pick out the location unless individual has a specific spot and the tree is a proper fit.

Items #8 -Other concerns- Olivia Witthun from the DNR Forestry division was at the meeting for the presentation of the Tree City award. This is the 4th year that Campbellsport was eligible for this award. The grant that was written was approved for tree maintenance in the amount of \$6506.00 Tree City Management training is eligible and Diane Clark has been attending the sessions. Articles to put in the paper are available from the materials that were distributed at the meetings. Diane Clark said she would continue to write up articles for the paper based on the time of year and pertinent issues.

Olivia informed Diane Clark about a pruning workshop in Fond du Lac that is coming up.

Item#9 - **Motion** by Sherry Boedeker, seconded by Brandon Thieme to adjourn meeting at 1:00P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Lemke, Clerk/Treasurer CMC
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