

## TIPP CITY TREE BOARD

TIPP CITY, MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO

June 9, 2010

### Tree Board Meeting

Chairman Rambeau called this meeting of the Tipp City Tree Board to order at 5:15 p.m.

### Roll Call

Members in attendance included: Tim Rambeau and Thomas DeRoss.

Also in attendance were Park Superintendent Jim Asher, Tree Crew members John Montgomery and David Slife, and Board Secretary Marilyn Fennell.

Absent member excused.

Mr. Rambeau **moved to excuse Mrs. Pittenger's absence.** Mr. DeRoss seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

### Minutes Approval February 22, 2010

Minutes of the April 14, 2010 were reviewed and Mr. Rambeau **moved to approve the minutes as presented.** Mr. DeRoss seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

### Items not on the Agenda

Mr. Rambeau said he noticed several stumps that might be on Mr. Asher's list, 2 at 209 N. Fourth. Mr. Asher said he wasn't sure that the City removed those but he would check. Mr. Asher said Mrs. Storck's stump would be removed this weekend. Mr. Asher will also check with Ron Re regarding a stump in front of his home on W. Dow.

### New Business

Removal/Planting requests:

Helmut Marko, 402 N. Second St.- Removal of Maple by City

Joyce Nay, 30 W. Dow Street- Removal of Maple by City

Mr. Rambeau said the Board was reviewing this tree again to see if it leafed out. There was discussion as to the viability of the tree. Mr. Asher observed a limb that could be a potential problem with a hollow spot in it. It also has a lot of dead in it and if this limb is removed, most of the tree will be gone. The Tree Crew was directed to take a closer look and make a determination.

Joyce Nay, 30 W. Dow St.- Remove Maple on Fourth St. side of home Mr. Rambeau said the tree is a Norway Maple and it is suffering. The Tree Crew said they removed large broken branches from the tree in front of the house recently. Mr. Asher agreed with the Fourth Street tree removal. Board agreed for City removal.

Amy Hackenberger, 28 Parkwood Dr.- Removal of Silver Maple by City

Amy Hackenberger, 28 Parkwood Dr. – Remove tree by City Mr. Rambeau said it is a Silver Maple and he saw ants working on it and appears dangerous. Mr. Slife said it is not a good tree, lots of dead large branches have broken recently. Mr. Asher agreed with the Board. Board agreed for City removal.

Bill Ringo, 9 S. First

Mr. Rambeau said the original tree is gone, lost in a recent

St- City planting

storm. He was not sure there was room for a new one at this time. Mr. Asher agreed that the planting space was very tight, due to utilities. The only place to plant one is where the old one was. A smaller tree can be planted in at least two years. Mr. DeRoss asked about the policy regarding planting where trees have been. Mr. Asher said the City likes to wait at least two years so that the root system has a chance to decompose.

Leshar Woods Tree Labeling

The copper tree labels arrived for this project. School has ended and Mr. Snyder said he will have the Environmental Club do this project in the fall when school begins again. Mrs. Fennell will advise the Board when that is going to happen.

ODNR Tree Commission Academy

Tree Commission Academy information was included in the packets for this meeting. Mrs. Van Buren, ODNR arborist, would like to attend the next meeting in August and promote the program. Mr. Rambeau did not think he would be able to attend. Mr. DeRoss said he might be interested in attending. Mrs. Fennell will contact Mrs. Van Buren.

**Old Business**  
E. Main Street Entrance Sign

Mrs. Pittenger was absent but had left a message that the last check from the Bob Evans Restaurant fund raiser should be forthcoming. She had met with management and hoped she had it straightened out.

2010 Arbor Day Activities- April 30

Arbor Day activities went off as planned. Mr. Rambeau said he had fun with the first graders. They had lots of knowledge to share and he sent seedlings home with them. Mr. Asher reported there were 10 redbud trees planted at Kyle Park. Representatives from the Tipp Foundation, Park Advisory Board, America In Bloom Committee, City Council, and City staff attended. The Mayor read the proclamation.

**Miscellaneous Business**  
Memorial Trees

There have been 8 new Memorial Trees purchased for Kyle Park. There was some discussion as to the possibility of raising the fees to \$250.00. Mr. Asher says a 2" caliper tree works best. Trees that die are replaced. This program will be discussed further at the next meeting.

ODNR SW Oh. Urban Forestry Conference

This conference will be held October 5, 2010 at Cox Arboretum.

**Next Meeting Date**  
August 11, 2010  
**Adjournment**

The next meeting will be August 11, 2010 at 5:15pm. There being no further business, Mr. DeRoss **moved to adjourn the meeting.** Mr. Rambeau seconded the motion. Mr. Rambeau declared the meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tim Rambeau, Board Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Marilyn Fennell, Board Secretary