

**CITY OF DEXTER
TREE BOARD REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, April 7, 2015**

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm at the City offices, 8123 N. Main Street.

Present: Coy, Hansen, Aniol

Absent: Henes, Peters

Guest(s): Brian Rathbun, Guardian Tree Experts

Approval of the Minutes – Moved by Coy, supported by Hansen to approve the September 22, 2014 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board - None

PRE-ARRANGED CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – Brian Rathbun, representing Guardian Tree Experts offered a tree trimming demonstration during the City's Arbor Day event. He provided some background on the company and his personal experience and training. Board discussed tree trimming needs in the Westridge neighborhood and possibly at Monument Park. Board asked if company would be interested in submitting a proposal to trim trees in Westridge. Mr. Rathbun said yes.

Approval of Agenda – Moved by Coy, support by Hansen to move item D1 to top of agenda and to add approval of agenda to agenda. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS - None

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

- A. FY 2014-15 Tree Budget Review – Board reviewed budget; identified \$8,000 for tree planting, \$4,382 for contracted services, and \$1,000 for supplies. Coy suggested getting proposals from Arbor Care and Guardian Tree Experts to evaluate trees in Westridge, and recommend a course of action.
- B. 2015 Street Tree Resident-Cost Share Program Update – Board reviewed draft order form and identified Sugar maple, English oak, Accolade Elm, Yellowwood for planting program and Shumard Oak for planting in Mill Creek Park.
- C. 2015 Spring Planting Locations – Board decided it would fine tune the locations at its next meeting.
- D. 2015 Arbor Day Celebration Planning – Board reviewed the Arbor Day materials. Board decided to offer seedlings at the Library, downtown at the clock, provided the weather was good, and at Dexter Mill.
 - 1) Guardian Tree Experts proposal to provide free tree trimming/pruning demonstration during our Arbor Day event. Discussed under Pre-Arranged Participation
 - 2) Free seedling offerings – Board reviewed the Washtenaw Conservation District 2015 Spring Planting Order form, and decided to provide 175 free seedlings during the City's Arbor Day event, same quantity as 2014

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD - None

ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm.

Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager

Approved as presented: May 19, 2015