

# SWANTON TREE COMMISSION

Monday, April 20, 2020

6:00 PM

Remote - On Line

## Agenda and Minutes

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call
- II. Roll call
  - a. Lammon, DeGood, Miller, Heffner, Wertz, Wise: absent, Lammon, Wise
  - b. Advisory: Hoelzle, Dzyak, Smith, Toeppe: absent, Smith
- III. Approval of February 2020 Minutes: DeGood moved to approve minutes; Heffner seconded
- IV. Old Business
  - a. Budget Report
    - i. True amount of 2020 budget: \$8400 as passed by Council; for 2021 we need to have draft ready in September 2020
  - b. Tree Inspection Report
    - i. 514 S. Main: not a Village tree; there is damage but appears sound and growing
    - ii. 7050 and 7080 CR1.1: Metropark trees; one tree hollow and should be taken down; other has been trimmed
    - iii. 301 Lincoln: tree was planted in 2015 and is healthy; property owners having root problems but those are not coming from that tree; Hoelzle will follow up
  - c. Re-planting by North Branch
    - i. Report Issues by R. Heffner; street trees need to be maintained; ways to educate the public about how to care for their trees was discussed - door hangers, quick video tutorials, etc.; STC members asked to submit suggestions to DeGood
  - d. Arbor Day Celebration
    - i. Normal event is postponed until further notice
    - ii. Substitute Photo contest

1. Report J. Miller - R. Heffner - R. Hoelzle: photo contest will be launched on April 24 ending July 24; promoted on social media and in Swanton Enterprise and other newspapers; prizes for four categories without taxpayer dollars used; named in honor of charter STC member Walt Lange; will refine process as necessary for future years
  2. See V, b below
- e. Continuation of Ordinance update; discussion of difference between what goes in an ordinance and what is a guideline; STC members need to work together on this process; should we require TCA completion within two years?

#### V. New Business

- a. Welcome of new Commissioner; Wise was absent so this will be done as next meeting
- b. Walt Lange Memorial: Arbor Day celebration will be named after Walt Lange
- c. CornFest facilities review: need sources for setting up CornFest; we need two or three 8' tables; labor; follow up with Lammon on getting handouts from Maumee State Forest; Hoelzle will have an inventory taken of handouts stored and displayed at Village Hall
- d. Tree maintenance in Rotary Park - newer plantings need to have ties removed or loosened; Hoelzle will pass this on

#### VI. Open Discussion

- a. Next meeting, Monday, May 18, 2020; Miller moved to adjourn; Heffner seconded

#### VII. Adjournment