

August 31, 2021 6 PM Township Building

Present: B. Glose, J. Witiak, M. E. O'Connell, G. Vedage Absent: B. Bates, J. Cook, MK Brezinsky

Meeting minutes – July meeting approval – O'Connell move to approve

Witiak second – all approved as recorded

Report:

1. No Plans to review this month – expected next month, Willow Crest Farms
2. Fall Tree planting –
 - a few members visited Crawford and Armed Services to review needs of trees
 - Review of Eric's proposal for fall tree planting – we will ask him to check availability of Autumn Fantasy Maple and black gums – O'Connell to research and report back on Yellowwood tree recommended by Eric
 - We discussed planting locations – will begin approval process with township
 - O'Connell did get air spading of trees at First Responder Park scheduled with Joshua tree for this fall per our approved work
 - O'Connell maintaining communication with public works for weekly tree watering of trees planted in 2020 and 21.
 - Discussed the need to ask for township to mulch new trees as critical care for survival.
3. Tree maintenance – Glose reported that per township no work needed at present. He will initiate putting tree maintenance as a regular expense in budget proposal for township so trees can receive required pruning etc. for good tree health.
4. Missing street trees – Vedage discussed presenting a plan in September for members to be able to note missing trees to help keep township officials notified of addresses.
5. Fall newsletter- Glose presented deadline for next newsletter per Finnigan. Witiak discussed what her intended topic is for the article. Suggested to add a tally of # of trees planted this year so residents can see impact of progress. Glose to scan in previous articles for historical purposes.
6. Next park tour- September 7th. 5 PM meet at Troxell on Matts Dr. Plan to visit Troxell and Macada North.
7. Next meeting – Monday, 9/27 6 PM. Township building.
8. ***Committee extends a HUGE recognition to Jane Cook for taking on a herculean effort to personally water some of our new trees when they were visibly stressed by underwatering.***
9. Minutes submitted by M. E. O'Connell