## WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

## **APRIL 11, 2022**

## MINUTES

The Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Howard Rutledge in the council room of the Wellsboro Municipal Building at 8:30 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

ROLL CALL: Members of the Shade Tree Commission present were Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres, Vicki Fox, Scott Nichols and Brian Kennedy. Water & Sewer Clerk Teresa Marshall

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None** 

MINUTES FROM March 14, 2022: The minutes were approved with one correction of the meeting time was 8:30 am instead of 8:00am by Brian Kennedy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vicki Fox. Passed.

ARBOR DAY: We are celebrating the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year on April 29, 2022. Will need to by tree from Martins. Discussion took place on where to plant tree with a few possible spots.

The tree lilacs in front of Mitchell's and across the street on West Ave are in decline. Peter Herres made the motion to remove these five trees and Scott Nichols 2<sup>nd</sup>. Brian Kennedy contacting Mike for price.

SPRING WATERING AND PRUNING: The crab apples on Queen Street and Nichols Street have been pruned by Howard, Peter and Brian. Eberenz Street and Stickley St have not been pruned yet. The Sophora's on Main Street will need to be looked at again also. Watering will be every week unless it rains at least an inch that week.

GYPSY MOTH: Haven't seen any yet but doesn't mean they are in town. Brian will make a call concerning when to do BT spraying. We still have some spreader left.

BIRD TOWN USA: The committee for Bird Town USA would like the Shade Tree Commission cooperation on planting native species whenever possible. Peter Herres made the motion to plant native species whenever possible in support of Birdtown USA and Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>.

TREE VITALIZE UPDATE: Brian reported that there will be no spring tree planting this year due to issues at the nursery on availability. We will plant a tree for Arbor Day though. Peter Herres reported that we would still be funded when we do plant.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None** 

ADJOURN: Scott Nichols made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting was adjourned at 8:59 am.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by

Teresa Marshall