WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

JUNE 09, 2014

MINUTES

The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Howard Rutledge, Chairman, in the Council Room of the Borough Building at 8:30 am on June 9, 2014

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present

ROLL CALL: The members of the Shade Tree Commission present were Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres, Vicki Fox and Scott Nichols. Also present were Borough Manager Daniel Strausser and Water and Sewer Clerk Teresa Marshall.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Peter Herres to accept the minutes of May 12, 2014 with one correction. The correction was in the West Avenue Trees section. It was stated that trees could not be above the cable lines or power lines. This has yet to be approved. Vicki Fox 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

I-TREE TRAINING: Howard Rutledge and Peter Herres attended the seminar on the I-TREE Program. The program has the ability to do an inventory of trees in the town through an I-Pad that can be downloaded into the program directly. It also can do computer simulations of what the parking lots could look like 15 years down the line in growth of trees planted there. There are also reports that can establish the environmental values in the community.

TREE INVENTORY: Peter Herres made a motion to start the organizational stages of doing a tree inventory. Scott Nichols 2nd. There was discussion of obtaining a laptop to do the inventory. An I-tree user manual is available in the Borough Office.

EMERALD ASH BORER: There are two students from the Department of Forestry doing the inventory of ash trees in the area now. They should be done within three days. On June 18, 2014, Howard Rutledge and Peter Herres will be attending the seminar at Mansfield University on the Emerald Ash Borer.

There was some discussion on some of the trees around town that are showing some decline.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Scott Nichols to adjourn the meeting. Vicki Fox 2^{nd} . Meeting adjourned at 9:10 am.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Series Marshall