

## **Lake Geneva Tree Board Minutes**

Wednesday, August 28, 2019

City Hall, Conference Room 2A

**Call to Order:** The Lake Geneva Tree Board was called to order by President Kirchberg at 5:30 p.m.

**Present:** Candy Kirchberg, Steve Peters, Constance Kosowski, Bob Flemming, Mayor Tom Hartz, Arborist Jon Foster, Street Superintendent Neil Waswo, Alderman Tim Dunn, Park Board President Ann Esarco

### **Comments from the Public**

Sonya Daily spoke to a concern about the native trees in the area, as a decline leads to a decline in native insects as well. She encouraged the committee to bring more native trees to the area. She has ideas for what trees to plant, and wants to arrange a tour of a friend's property that has been brought back to a native state.

Arborist Jon Foster responded that they do plant with diversity and are trying to get away from the evasive trees.

John Swanson wanted to follow up with previous concerns about the replacement planting, or the lack there of, in the Edwards St industrial area. He included a list, and encouraged the Committee to continue to follow up in this area.

John Swanson was thanked and ensured the committee has that same desire.

### **Approve Regular Tree Board Minutes from June 26, 2019**

Steve Peters motioned for approval. Jon Foster seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Financial Report-**

Discussion concerning raising funds for future plantings- Tree Board is on the list at Simple Bakery for their donation cookie day.

**Board Structure-** Tree Board responsibilities concerning future site plans and zoning requirements.

### **Arborist Report-** Jon Foster

Arborist Foster reported on trees removed from 2008-2019 and fall planting for 2019. The budget was brought up in regards to fall planting. Alderperson Dunn encouraged committee members to join Superintendent Waswo at the budget meeting in September in order to show support for the commitment to funding the planting and care of new trees.

### **Park Board Report-**

The Park Board has committed to clearing the area by the bridge for safety reasons.

### **Items to be placed on the next meeting agenda**

1. Having better numbers for the budget
2. More companies are not planting-what actions to take
3. Rezoning

**Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 23, 2019**

Kosowski motion to adjourn at 6:35 p.m, second by Peters. Motion carried unanimously.

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