

Lake Geneva Tree Board

March 14, 2012

The Lake Geneva Tree Board was called to order by President Joe Esposito at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Dan Andresen, Bob Flemming, John Foster, Doug Elliot, George Troupis, Clara Jacobs, Alderman Bill Mott and Mayor Jim Connors.

Minutes of the September 2011 were approved.

1. Public Open Comments: George Troupis complimented Arborist, John Foster on the Maintenance and upkeep of Donian Park.
2. Park Board Report: Doug Skates was absent so no report given.
3. Street Department and Arborist Report: John Foster asked the board to review the 7 listed trees that were hazardous. Bob Flemming made a motion seconded by Dan Andresen to recommend removal of these trees.
 - a) Tree Planting: Will be discussed in June for fall planting.
 - b) Ash Borer Update: There was a lengthy discussion on the Ash Borer. John Forster reported that we have about 290 ash trees in Lake Geneva. 204 of these are worth saving. The shot treatment that has been used in Milwaukee would cost approximated \$6,000. Plus other costs such as equipment used. This process is best done in May and should last for 3 years. The DNR has placed traps in our area and so far none have been detected. John suggested we consider looking at this treatment in June of 2013. John will keep in contact with Milwaukee on any further ideas and questions.
4. New Business: Further discussion was held on tree planting and what trees could be planted in the TIF 4 district and covered by those funds and not the \$15,000 that was allotted for our tree plantings. One of the areas discussed was the Edwards By-pass.

Arbor Day: Arbor Day was set for Saturday, April 28, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at Rushwood Park. A Concolor Fir was suggested for planting. George Troupis made a motion, seconded by Bob Flemming to honor Doug Elliot for the tree planting.

Old Business: Discussion was held on the clean up of the intersection of Sage St. &

railroad Grade. Arborist John Foster will survey the situation and also consider if planting trees is recommended. Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Clara Jacobs

Secretary