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Versailles Shade Tree Commission
April 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. at the Versailles Community Room, 4 W. Main Street.

Members in attendance were Ralph Gigandet, Paula Darnell, and Virginia Moorman. Commission Member Sharon Henry was absent. Also in attendance was Village Administrator Michael Busse and Pat Gigandet.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Ralph Gigandet and seconded by Paula Darnell. A vote followed: all yeas.

A motion to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2022 meeting was made by Ralph Gigandet and seconded by Virginia Moorman. A vote followed with Ralph Gigandet voting to approve the minutes. Paula Darnell and Virginia Moorman abstained from the vote.

Mr. Busse informed the Commission that the previously approved electric line clearing project for 2022 has been completed.

Mr. Busse presented the street clearing tree list to the Commission. Mr. Busse informed the Commission members that the street clearing work was awarded to Grilliot Tree Trimming and Stump Grinding is already underway.

Mr. Busse present the Commission with the list of approved tree removals.

- Neal Ranly, 277 N. West Street – Dead tree, beginning to split.
- Beverly Holsapple, 348 W Main Street - 2 Bradford Pears – Invasive Species.
- Sue Christian, 124 Vehr-Sye Drive – Boston Pear – Invasive Species – Dirty Tree.
- Tayler Young, 605 E. Main Street – ½ Dead Maple – Damaging Sidewalks
- Emily Barton, 820 Woodland Drive - 2 Bradford Pears – Invasive Species.
- Shane Schultz, 236 East Ward Street - Bradford Pear -Raising Sidewalk - Invasive Species.

The Commission members drew numbers for the 2022 shade tree lottery. The winners were the following:

1. Jordan & Stacey Grogean, 401 Gallus St.
2. Gary & Donna Huelskamp, 414 N. Center St.
3. Ronald & Karen Mescher, 443 E. Main St.
4. Cory & Allison Gonya, 483 Gallus St.
5. Emily Barton, 820 Woodland Dr.
6. Brian & Amy Wagner, 532 Park Blvd.
7. Larry Benanzer, 131 Heritage Ct.

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- 8. Jeff & Maureen Subler, 529 Park Blvd.
- 9. Mash Investments/Brilliant Beginnings, 380 Marker Rd.
- 10. Books By The Bushel, 164 Subler Dr.
- Alt #1 Todd & Beth Dammeyer, 2134 Callaway Ct.
- Alt #2 Jim & Janet Billenstein, 679 S. Center St.

All applicants will receive letters notifying them if they were awarded a tree in the tree lottery.

The Commission discussed the Arbor Day Tree planting. This year the Arbor Day tree will be an October Glory Maple. The tree planting is scheduled at Ward Park on April 29th at 1:15 P.M.

The Commission held a short discussion about the 2022 Tree City awards presentation on April 22nd. Since no Commission members were interested in attending It was decided that Mr. Busse would represent the Village at the awards presentation this year.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Paula Darnell and seconded by Ralph Gigandet. Vote: all yeas. The meeting adjourned approximately at 12:35 p.m.

Michael Busse, Village Administrator
Chairman

Ralph Gigandet, Tree Commission