MINUTES Versailles Shade Tree Commission February 27, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

Members present were: Ginger Magoto, Sharon Henry, Mike Berger and Village Administrator, Rodd Hale. Carl Moorman was absent.

A motion to approve the meeting Agenda was made by Ginger Magoto, seconded by Sharon Henry. Vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve the Minutes from November 28, 2018 meeting was made by Sharon Henry, seconded by Mike Berger, Ginger Magoto abstained. Vote: all yeas.

Discussion regarding changes in the Village Shade Tree Ordinance was discussed. Village Administrator Hale explained that the focus of the Shade Tree commission has shifted and it is no longer necessary to require a full meeting of the Shade Tree commission for simple tree trimmings and removals. More authority has been provided to Village Administration to make decisions on these minor non-controversial requests. The Village has moved away from mandating trees be planted and maintained in the Right of Way due to the problems the trees cause to sidewalks and utilities.

Additionally, Hale explained that many of the changes are simply language changes that village Solicitor Tom Guillozet feels provide more clarity to the Village Shade Tree ordinance.

After the discussion concluded Sharon Henry made a motion to recommend the suggested Shade Tree Ordinance changes to the Village Council. Ginger Magoto seconded, Vote: all yeas.

Recent tree removal requests were discussed with no concerns.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ginger Magoto, seconded by Sharon Henry. Vote: all yeas.

Meeting adjourned 6:30 p.m.

Rodd Hale
Village Administrator/Tree Commission Secretary