

Shade Tree Advisory Commission

Minutes for May 9, 2012

Meeting called to order at 6.00 p.m.

Open Public Meetings Act Read

Roll Call:

- Mr. Hardmeyer – Present
- Dr. Craddock – Present
- Mrs. Van Orden – Present
- Mr. Smith – Present

Minutes: Membership approved last month's meetings.

- ❖ No word on the Tree Ordinance
- ❖ Members read over the Tree City Award received.
- ❖ Mrs. Van Orden – Asked about displaying the Tree City Flag at the Newton Day Festival on Saturday June 9, 2012.
- ❖ Mr. Hardmeyer – Inquired about displaying the Tree City flag at different locations around town on a rotating basis. He also thanked the DPW Crew for all their assistance and Mr. Russo for the press release.
- ❖ Mrs. Van Orden and Mr. Hardmeyer – Discussion held amongst the group about the Tree City signs and locations for same.
- ❖ Mrs. Van Orden – talked about the tree planting according to the plan.
- ❖ Mr. Hardmeyer – Asked about starting a rebate program for residents in town if they plant a tree on their property. He will begin to write up a proposal for reimbursement.
- ❖ Mr. Craddock – Held a discussion on the free tree program and the parameters for reimbursement.
- ❖ Mrs. Van Orden – Discussed Arbour Day and how much the children enjoyed it.
- ❖ Dr. Craddock – Talked about the Tree City Application and if we have to re-apply each year.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.