

Pendleton Urban Forestry Committee

MEETING DATE: January 19, 2022
LOCATION: Pendleton Town Hall
100 W. State Street Pendleton, Indiana
TIME: 6:00 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by President Carol Hanna at 6:00 pm.

II. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Board members in attendance were Carol Hanna, Kerry Dodd, Jeanette Isbell and Jo Scott. A quorum was established.

Individual representing the Town was Zoning and Planning Administrator Denise McKee.

III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion to elect Carol Hanna as President made by Jeanette Isbell; seconded by Jo Scott; all members present voted in favor of said motion; motion carried.

Motion to elect Jo Scott as Vice-President made by Carol Hanna; seconded by Kerry Dodd; all members present voted in favor of said motion; motion carried.

Motion to elect Kerry Dodd as Secretary made by Jeanette Isbell; seconded by Carol Hanna; all members present voted in favor of said motion; motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve December 2022 meeting minutes made by Kerry Dodd; seconded by Jeanette Isbell; all members present voted in favor of motion; motion carried.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. PUFC Facebook Page – Update

Denise McKee provided the following information:

- New Facebook Page created: Pendleton Indiana Urban Forestry Committee
- Page established January 13, 2023
- Page is set-up as Governmental Organization and records retained by Archive-Social
- Current followers: 37
- January post focus: Introduction of Page and Winter Care Tips
- Followers/friends of original page invited to like/follow new page
- Over-time will share posts from original page to new page
- Eventually will close down original page once momentum established

B. Stormwater Tree Planting Initiative – 2023 – Update

Denise McKee provided the following update:

- MS4 Stormwater Partnership Meeting held Wednesday, January 18, 2023
- Present communities (6) relayed community support for event. Anderson University and City of Anderson representatives unable to attend the meeting. Elwood also interested in participating in the project.
- Each partner will coordinate planting of 25 trees in their respective communities, including selection of planting locations, 811 locates and volunteers as well as equipment/material as needed
- Arbor Day Foundation very excited about project and advised 8-week average turnaround in matching project to donor, with Fall 2023 being ideal for project.
- Town of Pendleton to be lead on grant proposal with Arbor Day Foundation.
- Timing of project will work great with Madison County Bicentennial events anticipated for the Fall 2023.

C. 2022 Tree City USA Award Application – Update

Denise McKee reported the following:

- Deadline date for application December 31, 2022
- Four standards of the Tree City USA Recognition are the following:
 - Tree Board
 - Tree Care Ordinance
 - Community Forestry Program with annual budget of at least \$2 per capita
 - Arbor Day Observance and Proclamation in 2022
- Town of Pendleton applied on December 14, 2022
- 2022 Tree City USA Application highlights:
 - TOTAL expenditure per capita: \$42.73
 - TOTAL expenditures: \$194,961.25
 - Number of trees planted: 25
 - Number of trees removed: 150
 - Number of trees trimmed: 550
 - Volunteer Time: 275 hours
- 2022 Applications under review; 2021 Award Notifications sent out February 2022

D. Tree Management Plan – Update

Denise McKee presented the following information:

- Shared copy of Municipal Consulting for Arborist Services received from Davey Resource Group/Aren Flint; hard copy provided as well as in Google Drive.
- Proposal still under review by Planning Department and Town Manager.
- Conference call scheduled with DRG to go over questions and clarifications, but wanted to give to Committee members for review.
- Discussed proposal briefly, but to address more in detail at next meeting after discussions with Town Manager and DRG.
- Copy of 2016 Tree Management Plan also shared with Committee Members.

Board members expressed support in gaining a second proposal for comparison. Denise McKee to explore other consulting services and report to committee.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

No new business to report.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Carol Hanna at 6:42 p.m.

Next meeting March 16, 2023 at 6:00 pm.