# **Pendleton Urban Forestry Committee**

MEETING DATE: October 20, 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, Julia Avey and Jo Scott. A quorum was established.

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

# III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve September 15, 2022 meeting minutes made by Jo Scott; seconded by Julia Avey; all members present voted in favor of motion; motion carried.

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. PUFC Facebook Page - Update

Denise McKee provided the following information:

- September Highlights How to plant a tree; stormwater benefits; ClearChoicesCleanWater Partner Appreciation. Stormwater benefits of trees was current focus of ClearChoicesCleanWater, in which the Town is a member of their organization.
- 96 followers to date
- Intern researching Page options
- Once page is switched to a public page, the plan is to link the page to ArchiveSocial which will keep record of the posts in the event of any FOIA request.

# B. Stormwater Tree Planting Initiative - 2023 - Update

Denise McKee provided the following update:

- Idea presented at the September 21st Meeting; Presentation in Google Drive
- Partnership communities include: Alexandria, Anderson University, Chesterfield, Edgewood, Ingalls, City of Anderson, Madison County & Pendleton
- Each partner representative to explore interest and best timing -Fall/Spring 2023

- Collectively Plant 200 trees in 2023 to honor Madison County Bicentennial & educate the community on stormwater benefits that trees offer [25 each]
- Seek Arbor Day Foundation to assist with tree funding
- Incorporate Rain Barrels/Artwork Element [Auction or Purchase; Contest]
- The next MS4 Partnership meeting is scheduled for November 16.
- The Public Art Group of South Madison Community Foundation is interested in being a part of the rain barrel/artwork element of the event.
- Madison County Engineer, Jessica Bastin, has a contact with the State of Indiana that will serve as a valuable resource in providing Stormwater Benefit Education Material for the event.
- C. Franklin Street Tree Planting Project Fall 2022 Update

Denise McKee discussed the following:

- Project Details:
  - Planted 3 container trees on 9/29/22 [131, 221, 227]
  - To pick up remaining 16 bulb trees 10/20/22
  - Trees to be planted by Street Department
  - PUFC encouraged to help with plantings
  - Planting to take place Friday, October 21st
  - Planting hours likely between 9 am 11 am; 12:30 2 pm
  - Properties at 118, 124, 130 removed from project due to water main running down center of island
  - Carol Hanna suggested that there might be a dead tree that could use replacement at the North 40 Entrance if there is an extra tree. If find that we have an extra tree, Denise McKee will contact Aaron Burris at the park.
- D. Arbor Day Observance/Tree Planting Pendleton Elementary Update

Denise McKee presented the following information:

- Date: Thursday, September 29th at 2:00pm
- Planted Shingle Oak Tree in honor of Arbor Day south of the playground
- Celebrated Arbor Day shared history/origination of Arbor Day & why we celebrate trees
- Education Material ADF Art Activity & History of Arbor Day Power-Point (on Google Drive)
  - PUFC members attending the program: Carol Hanna, Kerry Dodd and Julia Avey
- E. Memorial Tree Planting at Falls Park
  - a. Per park staff, with current projects and new playground, tree plantings are on hold until Spring 2023.

# V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Arbor Day Proclamation
  - Executed by Town Council President Chet Babb on September 29, 2022
  - Satisfies (1) Tree City USA Award criteria
  - McKee reported that she is working on gathering data for the 2022 Tree City USA Award application which is due 12/31/22. Kelley Dillon has been very helpful in retrieving payout figures to tree management companies. To date, have spent about \$140,00 on tree care and tree plantings in 2022.
- a. Annual PUFC Report to Town Council November 10, 2022

- November 10. 2022 at 6 pm
- PUFC President Carol Hanna to report
- 2022 Progress Report 2021 Tree City USA Award; ISA Gold Leaf Award by IAA, Arbor Day Celebration - Elementary School; Franklin Street Project; PUFC Facebook Page; 2023 Project Goals - Tree Management Plan Update, Davey Resource Consultant Service, Stormwater Tree Planting Initiative, 2023 Growth Award
- Upcoming Opportunities for PUFC Members:
  - o Franklin Street Tree Plantings last week of October, TBA
  - o Facebook Material/Ideas
  - o Town Council Meeting November 10th

# VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by President Carol Hanna at 6:34 p.m.

Next meeting November 17, 2022 at 6:00 pm.