

CITY OF AURORA
TREE COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
September 17, 2019

The Aurora Tree Commission met in a regularly scheduled meeting Tuesday, September 17, 2019, at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by Chairman Deborah Davis.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Deborah Davis
Laurena Entsminger
Kim Pease
Martha Sickinger
Rob Swaney
James Tomko
James Vaca Sr.

Also Present: Ben Askren, Arborist
Amy Martin, Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: To adopt the minutes of the September 17's meeting

Mr. Vaca moved; Ms. Sickinger seconded, and the motion carried, on a 7-0 roll call vote.

Yeas: Mr. Vaca, Ms. Pease, Ms. Sickinger, Mr. Swaney, Dr. Tomko, Ms. Davis, Ms. Entsminger

Nays: None

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

None

ARBORIST REPORT:

Fall Tree Planting

56 trees are scheduled to be planted in phase 1 at Beljon Farms. Approximately 58 trees are scheduled to be planted city-wide, replacing trees in subdivisions and parks. 35 trees are scheduled for the parks and 24 for the streets. Three of these are new commemorative trees and one is a replacement tree at the Sunny Lake Memorial Tree Garden.

Tree Maintenance

Trees at Bicentennial Park were pruned in July. Several trees around town and in the parks were removed by contractors. Trees along Page Road were cleaned up after ditch work was completed. 8 trees were pruned for sign clearance in the Geauga Lake Neighborhood.

Tree Museum

Drainage ditches were excavated along walking path to improve drainage. A parking area was installed using asphalt grindings from the city's paving program.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Museum Plantings

NEW BUSINESS:

- Calendar Review for 2020
- Fall Festival-September 28th
- No meeting in December

MISCELLANEOUS

- Arbor Day
- Field trip to the old campground quarry

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Pease moved to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. Marty Sickinger seconded, and the motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Deborah Davis - Chairman

Amy Martin- Secretary