



Tree Committee Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2013

Meeting of the: **TREE COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF NEW HOLSTEIN**
Date/Time: **Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.**
Location: **City hall, 2110 Washington St, New Holstein WI 53061**
Members Present: **Greg Hageman, Bob Depies, Jerry Hallstrom, Wally Dudzinske**
Others: **Mayor Dianne Reese**

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The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hageman.

The meeting had been properly announced.

Roll call was completed by Bob Depies

A motion was made by Hallstrom, seconded by Dudzinske, and carried to approve the agenda.

A motion was made by Dudzinske, seconded by Hallstrom, and carried to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

Neither public participation nor communication occurred.

The Committee reviewed the quarterly financial status of funding available to the tree committee in the budget year 2013. They agreed that the financial spread sheet supplied to the committee was not the correct budget numbers. Depies indicated he believed that \$3,000 was budgeted under forestry supplies and \$1,000 under Civic Park "tree canopy", for use to promote the City's urban forestry activities. No debts were noted to these accounts at this time.

The Committee had discussion on the advancement of the Emerald Ash Bore and its effects on the City's park trees. The Committee agreed to be proactive on possibly removing some of the poorer trees ahead of the infestation and replace with nursery stock trees or purchase them from a private nursery. In the future, infested trees will be remove, stumps ground and replacements found. Greg indicated he believed the DNR has suspended EAB traps in the area.

The Committee agreed to reschedule a field trip down to Kiwanis Park that had been schedule for this meeting, be rescheduled for next month's meeting. The trip is to review the inventory of ash trees and to determine The Committee had a discussion on the Civic Park Canopy project. Depies indicated that the scheduled tree removal in the park had been delayed because of the heavy snows occurring in the last 60 days. The removals will take place as soon as the weather permits and the NHU' crew is available. There also was discussion about the propagation of new trees within the park using methods spelled out in the Civic Park Canopy Study.

Greg indicated the grade school was looking to plant a tree in the area of the former temporary classrooms at the northwest corner of Park Ave. and Church St., for the Arbor Day observance. Greg will inform the Committee who the contact person at the school is in regards to the observation.

Greg informed the committee that he is resigning his position on the committee at the end of his term.

Having no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Robert Depies