

TREE MANAGEMENT BOARD MINUTES  
MAY 14, 2007

The Tree Management Board was called to order by Ken Iwen on May 14, 2007 at 4:00 PM at the Street Department.

Members Present: Ken Iwen, Gary Paape, Joe Walag, Mary Kostichka, & Barb Rodgers

Moved by Walag second by Kostichka to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Moved by Rodgers second by Paape to approve the meeting minutes from March 12, 2007. Motion carried.

Public Works Update:

- All stumps have been ground.
- All of last year's tree plantings have been checked and all are budding.
- Gary Paape attended the Urban Forestry meeting and received updated info. on management of the Emerald Ash Borer situation. He reported that no evidence of the Ash Borer has been found in our area yet.

Old Business:

A. Tribute Tree

- Letters were sent out to all previous Tribute Tree donors to give them the opportunity to purchase markers for the trees. 6 responses have been received at this point. Supplies will be ordered after the June meeting with markers to be placed by late summer. Mary Kostichka will check with suppliers for final pricing.
- 7 Tribute trees were planted this spring; Peterson Park (2), Orville DeMeuse Park (2), Heritage Park (2), & City Hall grounds (1).
- The Park Department was given tree mulching brochures for posting to encourage proper technique when mulching around Park trees. The Street Department will continue to provide mulch for this project.

New Business:

- A. Approximately 60 new trees have been planted. New auger bit cuts a 36 inch hole and allows for mulching to this limit.
- B. Arbor Day, Sept. 15, from 10:00-12:00 will include updates and materials on the Emerald Ash Borer threat. Other topics will also be covered.
- C. Other Business:
  - A letter from Park & Rec. regarding Newman Park trees was reviewed by the Tree Committee. Gary will contact the Park & Rec. Committee for further clarification.
  - Algoma received its 6<sup>th</sup> Tree City USA award and 5<sup>th</sup> year of Tree City Growth Award at this month's City Council meeting. Attempts to continue to qualify for this award are being made this year.

Next meeting date set for June 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00PM at the Street Department

Moved by Walag second by Kostichka to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.