

The meeting of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores Tree Board was held on Tuesday, July 10, 2012. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Brett Marshall at 7:35 a.m.

Present were: Brett Marshall, Chairperson
 Rob Squiers, GPSIF Representative
 Brett Smith, DPW Director
 Harold Michaux, GPS Grounds Supervisor
 Bruce Bisballe, Council Liaison
 Lynn Michaux, GPS Admin. Assistant/Secretary

Also Present: Bruce Campbell, 49 Greenbriar Ln.

Absent: Mark Wollenweber, Interim City Manager
 Helen Bai, Beautification Comm. Chairperson

Reports related to this meeting are either attached or placed on file.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 10, 2012 MEETING

The minutes of the April 10, 2012 meeting were unanimously approved as submitted on motion by Mr. Squiers and supported by Mr. Bisballe.

REVIEW OF THE 2012 ARBOR DAY EVENT

Mr. Marshall reported in Helen Bai's absence that the Arbor Day event went well but felt attendance was down from past years. Mr. Squiers suggested inviting Wally's Frozen Custard to the event next year and maybe adding other activities that could result in a bigger turnout.

2012 GENERAL TREE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Mr. Smith reported the department has increased its trimming program this year due to the small increase in budget, with more hazard trimming and on a worst need basis. Mr. Smith stated there are 12 trees on Hawthorne Rd. that are scheduled to come down. Mr. Michaux reported there is a dead ash at 75 Roslyn Rd. that will need to be removed as well. He also stated that diseased elms are down significantly. Mr. Smith and Mr. Marshall agreed to do a drive through the city in early spring and August of each year.

GPSIF UPDATE

Brett Marshall stated he has 8 residents interested in trees for this fall as part of the fall tree planting program. Mr. Squiers presented the updated approved tree list in a landscape format. Mr. Marshall commended Mr. Squiers for his work in preparing the list. Brett Smith moved to accept the list as submitted, Ms. Boyce seconded;

unanimously approved by the board. Councilmember Bisballe suggested Mr. Marshall request to be put on the July council meeting agenda to be approved by council.

OLD BUSINESS

Brett Smith reported that a car hit a county tree at the Lake Shore and Vernier/Willison area. Mr. Smith has contacted Wayne County several times to address the tree with no result. Mr. Campbell offered to make a few calls as he has some contacts at the county.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Campbell thanked Mr. Smith and Mr. Michaux for having the pear tree removed in front of his home due to storm damage. Mr. Marshall will work with Mr. Campbell on selecting a replacement tree for a fall planting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

It was noted that the next Board meeting will be held at 7:30 a.m., October 9, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58

Lynn Michaux, Secretary