

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ELBURN TREE BOARD
APRIL 5, 2022

Members Present: Commissioners Rob Houtz, Chris Mulvihill, Drew Peters, Brian Techter

Members Absent: Dave Anderson, Ryan Anderson, Chairwoman Carolyn Jansons

Staff Members Present: Village Administrator John Nevenhoven, Public Works Supt Phil VanBogaert

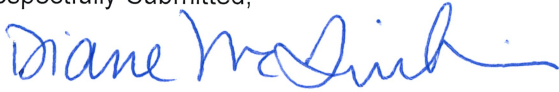
Others Present:

In the absence of Chairwoman Jansons, there was consensus to appoint Commissioner Techter as temporary chairman for this meeting.

1. Call to Order – Temp Chairman Techter called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Temp Chairman Techter led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call – A roll call ensued.
4. Public Comment – None
5. Approve Tree Board Minutes from November 2, 2021 – A motion to approve was made by Mulvihill seconded by Houtz. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Houtz, Mulvihill, Peters, Techter. Nays: None. Motion carried.
6. Discuss
 - a. National Arbor Day Celebration – Saturday, April 30, 2022 – 10:00am
 - i) Arbor Day Proclamation – The prepared proclamation was reviewed by Commissioners. There were no changes suggested.
 - ii) Tree City USA/Arbor Day Press Release – The prepared press release was reviewed by Commissioners. There were no changes suggested.
 - iii) In-Person Celebration – The celebration will be held at the Elburn Station Community Park at 714 Keslinger Road at 10:00am on Saturday, April 30, 2022. The poem, “Trees,” by Joyce Kilmer will be read aloud and a tree will be planted in honor of the day. Everyone is invited to attend. Local Scout groups will be invited to participate.
 - b. Tree City USA Approval – 23rd Year – The Village received notification that Elburn has received the Tree City USA Award for the 23rd year in a row.
 - c. Spring 2022 Tree Planting & Removals Schedule – Planting will occur after the beginning of the new fiscal year (May 1, 2022).
 - d. FY2023 Tree Planting & Removals Schedule – The tree planting and removal list is still in process.
7. Other Business
 - a. Commissioner Houtz inquired about the removal of a large oak tree recently on South Street. Supt VanBogaert will investigate and report back to the Commission.
 - b. Commissioners inquired about trees planted downtown on Main Street—some were not looking so good last fall; will have to see how they recover in the spring. There was discussion if we should give up on growing trees in the downtown area. If not, what can be done to keep them healthy, who will water them, etc.?

8. Adjourn – Commissioner Houtz motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. with Commissioner Peters seconding the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



Diane McQuilkin
Village Clerk