

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ELBURN TREE BOARD
MARCH 7, 2023

Members Present: Commissioners Dave Anderson, Ryan Anderson, Chet Cybulski, Rob Houtz, Chairman Chris Mulvihill, Drew Peters

Members Absent: Brian Techter

Staff Members Present: Village Administrator John Nevenhoven

Others Present:

1. Call to Order – Chairman Mulvihill called the meeting to order at 8:13 PM
2. Roll Call – A roll call ensued.
3. Public Comment – None
4. Discuss:
 - a. National Arbor Day Celebration: Saturday, April 29, 2023 @10AM
 - Arbor Day Proclamation: Nevenhoven stated that the real arbor day is April 28th.
 - Tree City USA/Arbor Day Press Release
 - In-Person Celebration
 - o Location: Cybulski suggested planting a tree by the tank at Veterans Memorial Park.
 - o Reading of “Trees” poem by Joyce Kilmer
 - o Planting of Tree

Commission asked Nevenhoven who is required to be at the planting of the tree. The Tree Board and Mayor Walter are expected to be at the ceremony.
 - b. Tree City USA Approval- 24th Year

Elburn has been awarded a Tree City USA for the 24th year in a row.
 - c. Spring 2023 Tree Planting & Removals Schedule

Nevenhoven does not have this information at this time.
 - d. FY 2024 Tree Planting & Removals Schedule

Nevenhoven does not have this information at this time.
5. Other Business:

Commissioner Houtz suggested that the Village Board have designated areas where trees cannot be cut down by Keslinger Woods; Keslinger Woods is adjacent to the Blackberry Township Cemetery to the east. Nevenhoven said for the foreseeable future, that property is staying as is.

A discussion was had about parkway trees and if there is an ordinance that states that residents cannot trim parkway trees. Nevenhoven to look into this.

Houtz asked if there could be an ordinance stating that residents would need approval before cutting down a tree 16in. in diameter or larger on their private property. Commissioner Ryan Anderson and Cybulski explained that might be overstepping. Nevenhoven to look into this. There is currently a Village ordinance regarding the removal and replacement of public trees.

5. Adjourn – Commissioner Houtz motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM with Commissioner Ryan Anderson seconding the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



Katie Johnston
Deputy Village Clerk