

ARBOR BOARD OF LOWELL  
MONDAY, MAY 19, 2008  
12 NOON

Present: Chase, Reagan and Shores.

Absent: Hall and LaWarre.

Also Present: Dave Pasquale, Dan DesJarden and Tom Richards.

Reagan moved, Shores supported to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2008 meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

Item #1. BIGGEST TREE CONTEST. City Clerk Betty Morlock will have an advertisement on the contest to be published.

Item #2. PLAQUE FROM DIGITAL IMAGE. No call has been received on the new plaque from Digital Image (\$65 cost). The 2007 plaque will be located at Fallasburg while the 2008 plaque is at Unity High.

Item #3. DOG PARK. The trees to be planted at the dog park have been ordered with permanent watering bags.

Item #4. TREES AT RECREATION PARK. Discussion was held on whether the newly planted trees under electrical lines at Recreation Park should be moved. DesJarden stated that the trees were planted with the understanding the electric lines would eventually be moved or placed underground at a future date. The trees delineated the parking area.

Further, the assumption was the growth of the trees, estimated to be six inches to one foot per year, would give 15 to 20 years before there would be a problem with lines.

Since there is no definite timetable with Light and Power to move the lines, Shores felt this could be risky.

DesJarden said the trees would be moved to a different location.

Item #5. TRIMMING OF LIBRARY AND PARKING LOT TREES. DesJarden mentioned that either this week or next week the library and parking lot trees are scheduled for fertilizer, wood chips and trimming.

Item #6. FUNDING. It was noted \$5,000 remains for tree purchasing. The Board determined that neighborhoods should be targeted including Washington and Jefferson Streets and Grindle.

Tom Richards said Light and Power is essentially done with tree trimming.

Item #7. ORDINANCE REVIEW. The Board decided to have Jim Hall lead the tree ordinance review and have two attendees for a workshop on this issue.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, June 16, 2008 at 12 noon.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

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Dana Chase, Chair

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David M. Pasquale, Secretary