

DEXTER VILLAGE TREE BOARD

**July 17, 2007
Regular Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 P.M. at the Village Offices, 8123 Main Street.

Present: Henes, Peters, Bishop, Coy

Absent: Hansen

Approval of the Minutes- Moved Peters, support Henes to approve the March 20, 2007 minutes as presented.

Motion Carried

Approval of Agenda- Moved Peters, support Henes to approve the agenda as amended adding item New Business 9C, Election of Officers.

Motion Carried

Public Hearings

None

Pre Arranged Citizens Wishing to Address the Commission

None

Reports and Communication

Chair – No report

Community Development Office – Bishop reported on grants, including upcoming Community Forestry Grant application and reappointment of Hansen and Coy until June 2010.

The Board also discussed the stresses trees on Baker Road and Bishop will work with the DPW to get water bags on stressed trees.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Commission

None

Old Business

- A. Landscaping Ordinance review – The Tree Board discussed the proposed amendments to Article 6, Landscaping Standards, included in the packet. Bishop discussed Section 6.06 with Hansen prior to meeting and recommended a few additional amendments. A few additional amendments were discussed and recommended to Sections 6.04, 6.05 and 6.11.

Moved Coy, support Peters to recommend that the Planning Commission consider the proposed amendments to Article 6, Landscaping Standards, of the Village of Dexter Zoning Ordinance, as discussed and recommended by the Tree Board.

-Motion Carried

- B. Tree Management Plan Draft sections review – The Board reviewed the draft sections of the management plan and discussed what the next steps should be and what additional information should be included. The Board focused attention on a decision making and implementation plan and discussed creating a priority list for removals and replacement. The Board considered a point system, a grant program for hardship cases, and establishing a waiting list for removals and replacements. An appendix with valuable tree planting, pruning and maintenance information should also be added to the document. Board members will locate and provide information that they believe should be included in the appendices.

-No Action Taken

New Business

- A. FY 07-08 Budget approved by Village Council

The Board discussed the budget and plans for the following year. Establishing a list of maintenance and pruning quadrants was discussed. Bishop will provide the quadrant map she created at the next meeting.

- B. Next meeting date: August 21, 2007 to review the Management Plan and possible fall planting.
- C. Election of Officers
Coy nominated Peters, Chair, Henes, Vice Chair, Bishop, Secretary
Bishop motioned to approve slate as nominated, Coy seconded
-Motion Carried

Proposed Business for Next Agenda

- A. Tree Management Plan/Action Plan Review
- B. Fall Planting-Species Selection
- C. Tree Endowment – Use for tree planting hardship cases

Citizens Wishing To Address The Commission

NONE

Adjournment

- Moved Bishop, support Coy, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 P.M.
Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

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Allison Bishop
Community Development Manager