

**TREE COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES  
APRIL 6, 2009**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pat Sagala, Mary Ann Johnson, Bob Johnson, Priscilla Rulison,  
Cookie Friedrich

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Pat Williams

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jack Garber, Staff Liaison, Kathie Boyle

Pat Sagala called meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Pat Sagala passed around a invitation that all board members had received regarding an "Appreciation Reception" on April 20, 2009 at the Boathouse Grill - 440 River Street, from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. All members present will attend. Kathie will call Michelle and let her know how many.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Jack informed the committee that we are again a "Tree City USA" and he will be going to Okemos this week to pick up the award. The City of Manistee has also been awarded a \$3000 Tree Grant from DTE Energy. We will apply the \$3000 from DTE with the \$10,000 in next years budget and again have a tree planting program for our residents and city parks.

Chalk Art Contest will again be held over the Forest Festival. All members are encouraged to participate - will discuss in more detail at our next meeting.

Trees on list for cutting and trimming of trees in the city right of way have been completed for the spring season. Stumps will be contracted out and removed in May.

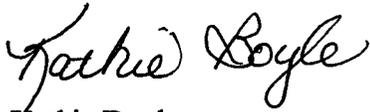
Brief discussion on the tree cutting / trimming Consumers Energy is doing around town. There is very little we can do - this is between the property owners and Consumers.

Remember we are still one member short, so if you know of anyone that might be interested in being on the Tree Commission let them know - they can get an application from the City Clerk's Office.

Next meeting will be **Monday, May 4, 2009** at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall first floor conference room.

There being no further business, **Motion** by M. Johnson , **second** by C. Friedrich that we adjourn.  
All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathie Boyle". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Kathie Boyle  
Recording Secretary

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