

**TREE COMMISSION MEETING**  
**MINUTES**  
**MAY 2, 2011**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Sagala, Mary Ann Johnson, Bob Johnson, Bob Bernatche, Pat Williams, Cookie Friedrich, Sue Verheek

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Jack Garber, Staff Liaison

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

**Motion** by Williams, **second** by Sagala to accept August 2, 2010 minutes and place on file.

Chair Pat Sagala introduced and welcomed our newest member Bob Bernatche to the Tree Commission.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Chalk Art Contest will be held on Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 at Pine & River Street. Children's age groups will stay the same as in previous years.

Bob Johnson will be in charge of outlining the squares for the contest..

- Age group 5 -6 (27 squares).
- Age group 7 – 8 (40 squares).
- Age group 9 – 10 (27 squares).

Kathie will contact Dairy Queen for coupons for ice cream cones.

Pat S. will pick up books from the Book Store for prizes.

US Forestry will need to be contacted for donations for prizes.

Discussion on tress that needs to be trimmed at the Elks lodge – Jack informed the commission that these trees were trimmed in the fall of 2010.

Stump removal/grinding will again be done this summer.

The City of Manistee has been awarded \$30,000 in grant money to again plant trees in the right-of way.

Monies received:

\$20,000 from Urban Forestry Grant Program

\$10,000 from DTE Energy Foundation Tree Planting Grant Program

**Motion** by Cookie, **second** by Sue to offer free trees to residents this year and not charge \$25.00 as in the past.. Motion carried.

Jack informed that Commission that the City of Manistee received Tree City USA award again this year.

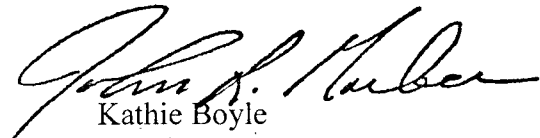
Filer Credit Union in celebration of Earth Day 2011 donated \$ 300.00 for purchase of trees that will be planted in the Fifth Avenue Area.

◆ Next meeting will be **June 6, 2011** at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall Lunch Room

There being no further business, **Motion** by B. Johnson, **second** by Rulison that we adjourn.

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kathie Boyle  
Recording Secretary

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