

# TREE COMMISSION MEETING

## MINUTES

### AUGUST 6, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cookie Friedrich, Pat Sagala, Gerald Haw, Janice Waterman, Bob Johnson, Pat Williams

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Sue Verheek

OTHERS PRESENT: Kathie Boyle – City of Manistee

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Sagala.

#### CITIZEN/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion** by Friedrich, **second** by Waterman to accept June 4, 2018 minutes and place on file.  
**Motion** carried.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### **Chalk Art Contest**

Contest had approximately 60 participants. Commission believes that weather and how July 4 fell this year could contribute to the lower number.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Pat Sagala notified the commission that she is stepping down as chair of the Tree Commission, she will continue to be on the commission as a member. **Motion** by Friedrich **second** by Williams to appoint Janice Waterman as the new chair. Board thanked Sagala for all her hard work over the past 10 years.

#### COMMENTS

Bushes in the right of way are becoming dangerous to the citizens/drivers; area of great concern is 8<sup>th</sup> & Kosciusko – hard to see the four-way stop sign also Pine & 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Members to write down any other areas they see that need to be trimmed and report back to the Department of Public Works.

Commission believes it would be a great if Mikula could do an article on the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue tree planting. Williams has discussed this with Ken Grabowski who is interested in doing the article.

Tree located at Harbor Drive and driveway to Country Club needs trimming – branches are hanging out over the street.

Eighteen tree removal/trimming applications were given to Waterman and Johnson for inspection.

Willow tree by Lions Pavilion needs trimming also needs to be mowed, landscaped and weed whacked.

Newly planted trees need to be water more frequently.

There being no further business, **Motion** by Friedrich, **second** by Haw to adjourn at 5:30 p.m. All in favor.

**Next meeting date – Monday, September 10, 2018 @ 5:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Boyle  
Recording Secretary