

Culver Tree Commission

May 11, 2022

10:00 A.M.

Meeting Minutes

The Culver Tree Commission met in a called session with the following members in attendance; Mike Stallings President, Dick Brantingham Vice President, John Helphrey Secretary, Dennis Bottorff, and Kevin Vanhorn.

Mr. Stallings requested a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes which were approved unanimously.

Mr. Stallings reiterated that in 2020 and 2021, the commission approved the removal of 22 trees and the pruning of five others through out the towns parkways. This work effectively reduced the commissions budget balance to \$ 2,211.33. One very large old Maple on the corner of Winfield and Maple that was causing sidewalk and curb damage, took care of the rest. More work still has to be done to this area in order to replace the new sections of curbs and sidewalk. During this time, no new trees were purchased and planted due to the lack of funds.

Mr. Stallings informed the members that a \$ 100.00 donation was received from Mike Bacino who lives at 101 So ^{State} ~~State~~ and In light of this years approved budget of \$20,000.00, Mr. Stallings requested input from the members on how these funds should be allocated. He prepared a handout for todays meeting detailing a list of 20 parkway trees, large and small, that he thought should be removed. Mr. Bacino's address is on this list. After some discussion, all the members agreed that this year, new tree planting should be a priority and tree removal would be decided by need. Some of the smaller trees on Mr. Stallings list may be able to be removed by the towns street department or at minimal cost by the professional tree removal company. Mr. Bottorff also suggested that new plantings should be of a smaller size and more appropriate for parkways and height restrictions. The trees may grow slower but would not cause damage or require as much maintenance.

Due to the expected cost increases, more information is needed to develop this years expenditure plan. The following is what the commission decided going forward; Mr. Stallings will contact Dogwood Hills Nursery for an update of cost and requirements for new plantings. In 2018, their minimum was 25 tress for a total cost of \$ 9,876.00 which included delivery, planting, mulch and deer guards. He will also contact Tree Removal Service Companies for a quote on the list of trees that will need to be removed.

The commissions next meeting is scheduled for 06-07-2022 at 3:00 P.M. In the interim, Mr. Helphrey and Mr. Brantingham will take the south side of town for the purpose of finding new locations for tree plantings, adding possible removals to Mr. Stalling list, as well as removing deer guards and support poles where warranted. Those materials can be reused on this year's new plantings.

Mr. Bottorff and Mr. Vanhorn will do the same throughout the North side of town. Mr. Bottorff also agreed to lend his expertise to picking out new planting species that will be more appropriate for the parkway locations the commission decides on.

The information gathered will be reviewed at the stated next meeting which should result in the creation of the commissions 2022 expenditure plan. New plantings will take place in the fall. Tree removal will be limited and commence over the next few months.

Old Business: Addressed

New Business: Addressed

Adjournment: 11:05 A.M.


Mike Stallings


Dick Brantingham


John Helphrey


Dennis Bottorff


Kevin VanHorn

2022 MIKE STALLINGS PROPOSED REMOVAL LIST

20 total on list

10 small

10 large

Large (10)

309 N. Ohio

- 101 S. White (around corner)

- 605 Williams

464 Lakeview

451 Liberty (2 trees) ?

216 S. Ohio (Methodist Church)

463 Lakeview

Ohio & Slate (2 Walnuts per Bob P)

Small (10)

Coffee (School Street)

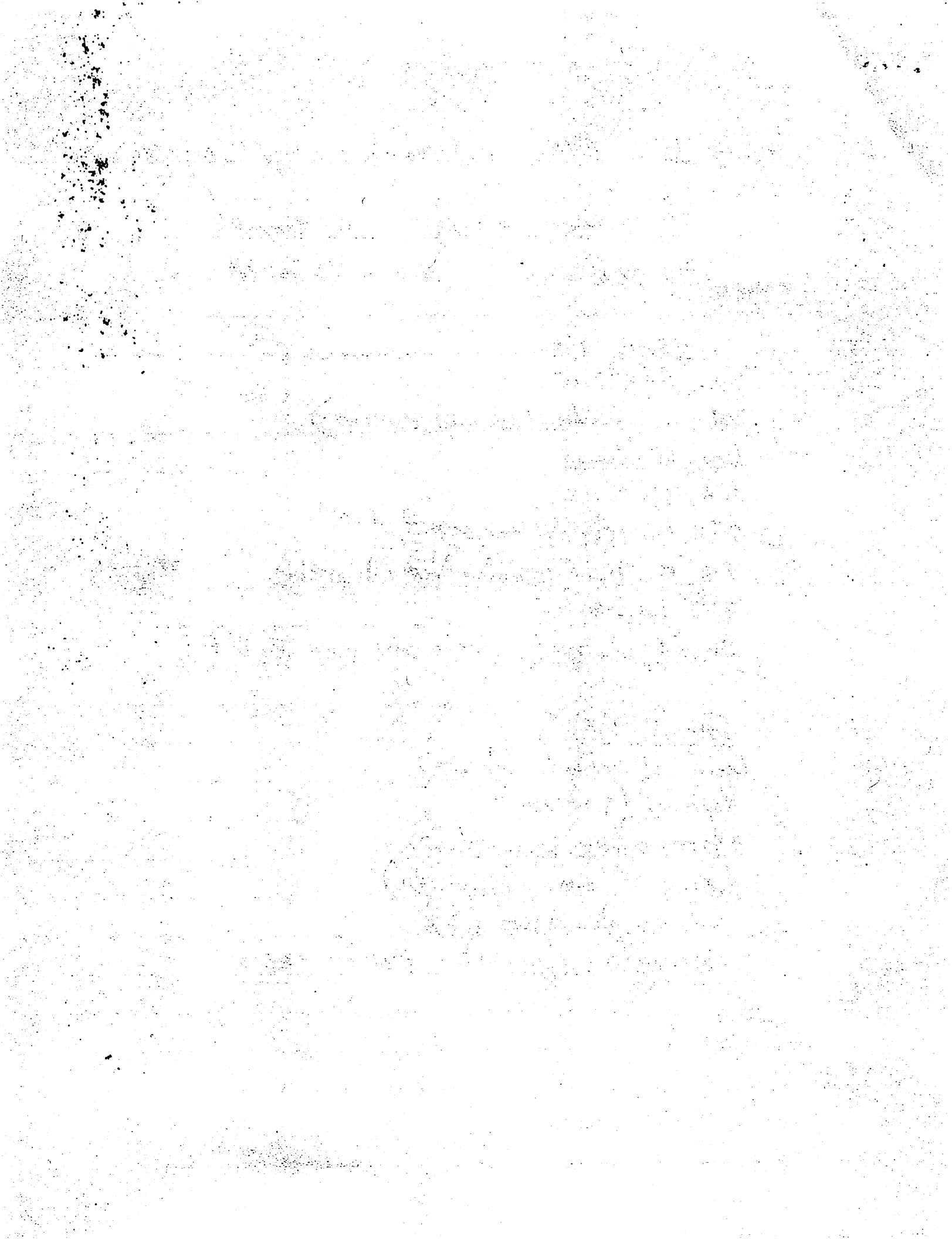
Yohas (2 trees)

Hahn (451 Lakeview)

Leroy Bean (Plymouth)

316 Washington (A)

Plymouth (opposite police dept)



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John Helphrey Update

May 15 2022

Today Dick Brantingham and I drove throughout the South Side of Culver to find new locations for fall plantings and review Mr. Stallings list of proposed tree removals. During this time, we removed seven tree guards, several support poles that were no longer needed and trimmed up numerous parkway trees.

The following are suggested locations for 2022 fall plantings;

309 White	712 Main
315 White (possibly 2)	721 Obispo (possibly 2)
301 Slate	Both sides of Obispo south of Davis
315 Slate	203 Winfield southeast side of So. Plymouth
220 Slate	210 Winfield
210 Slate	110 Plymouth (possible 2 spots on west side)
309 Lake Shore	213 Lake,
404 Washington	412 Washington

The following are suggested additional tree removals;

211 Ohio

812 Obispo

709 Obispo