

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 17, 2019 04:00 pm

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1. Review of agenda flow:

- a. Call to Order/Call the Roll Susan Quintenz, Chair,
 - Establish a quorum Barb, Ellen and Mollie absent

Roll Call:

Voting Members Present: Sheila Straub; Dave Wakeman; Celeste Williams; Linda Zupnick; Jim Wilson; and Susan Quintenz

Absent:

Excused: Larry Helman; Ellen Bowden; Mollie O'Donnell; and Barb Giller **Non-Voting Present:**

b. <u>Approval of Minutes of February 20, 2019 and March 27, 2019 – Mrs. Quintenz - attached</u>

DRAFT 2-20-2019

Draft 3-27-2019

Linda Zupnick made a motion to Approve - 'the minutes from February 20, 2019 and March 27, 2019 as written.' Motion seconded by Sheila Straub. **Vote 6 - 0 - passed.**

FOR: Sheila Straub, Dave Wakeman, Celeste Williams, Linda Zupnick, Jim Wilson,

and Susan Quintenz.

AGAINST: None.

ABSENT: Larry Helman, Ellen Bowden, Mollie O'Donnell, and Barb Giller.

c. Announcements/Small Victories/Professor Markham/Residents' Comments

a. <u>Professor Markham</u>

Council member Troy Markham was not present.

b. <u>Commission Member Term Renewals: Celeste, Sheila and Barb</u>

Members Barb Giller, Celeste Williams, and Sheila Straub terms will expire June 30, 2019. All three members have agreed to renew their terms.

c. Other

Pending Applications to be reviewed –

a. 2106 East Main Street – Ohio State Bank

Ms. Elena Andrews presented her staff review for the Ohio State Bank which will be built at 2106 E Main. On January 16, 2019 the application was presented before the Commission and it was tabled. Steve Kolwicz from Pod Design presented the updates to the Tree Commission. The changes of the landscape plan include less landscaping in the back of the property on the west side. The east side of the building will be the main focus and will include both landscape and hardscape. Due to the amount of space on the south side in front of the building a different street tree is being proposed. Ginkos are the proposed tree to be planted on the south side instead of the recommended street tree, which are London Planes. The curb on the east side of the property will match the curb detail currently in place at surrounding sites. The tree wells on the east side will include one existing Sycamore and one proposed tree to be added. One tree is being proposed to be added to the north side. A fence is required to be added on the east side as 3 foot landscape buffer. The proposed fence will be black aluminum and 4 ft tall.

Mr. Grant Archer shared with the Commission that there are different tree species along Main Street in the tree lawn. He would classify the area the bank is going to be built as an "entryway" and there no tree requirements for entryways. Ms. Elena Andrews shared her report regarding the decision for the proposed Ginko trees was to use the opportunity to help form a gateway. The plan is to also plant 3 Ginkos across the street so the trees match on both sides of the road. The Ginko trees have good fall color and are hardy enough to survive in the area. The male Ginko tree is proposed.

A discussion was held among the Tree Commission regarding the proposed street trees that are to be planted on the south side. Mr. Jim Wilson expressed his concerns about approving a tree different from the Main Street trees without having a current gateway plan set for E Main. He feels a private development plan should not dictate Main Street. Ms. Sheila Straub believes the proposed Ginko tree would make an excellent addition to E. Main.

Ms. Kathy Rose informed the Tree Commission there had been minor changes to the exterior building that will not effect any landscaping.

Chair Quintenz wanted to express her concerns about the motion and vote that approved the plan. In her opinion and out of courtesy to Mr. Kolwicz they should not have to ask for a second opinion from MKSK regarding the proposed Ginko tree along Main Street. Ms. Elena Andrews said she would help facilitate the meeting with MKSK.

Ohio State Bank Landscape Plan and Elevations 04-08-2019

Ohio State Bank Tree Commission Staff Review Revised 11-26-18

Corner of Parkview and Main Coordination 04-15-2019

Linda Zupnick made a motion to Approve - 'Project approved as presented with the following conditions:

- 1. Coordinate metal fence design with Karen Bokor and Elena Andrews
- 2. Ginkos approved as Main Street trees as specified with a follow up conversation with MKSK to ascertain their suitability for both sides of Main Street and provide recommendations if another species is more appropriate.' Motion seconded by Sheila Straub. **Vote 5 1 passed.**

FOR:

Sheila Straub, Dave Wakeman, Celeste Williams, Linda Zupnick, and Susan

Quintenz.

AGAINST: Jim Wilson.

ABSENT: Larry Helman, Bard Giller, Ellen Bowden, and Mollie O'Donnell.

b. <u>Blue Spot Yoga</u>

No discussion was held. Applicant was not present.

396 N Cassady Rd Tree Commission Staff Review Revised 4-3-19

Landcape Rendering Cassady Ave Elevation 03-26-19

(03-27-19) Site Plan for Tree Commission- Rev 2-A0.1

Landscape Elevation Ruhl Ave Elev 03-27-19

c. <u>Huntington Bank</u>

Mr. Reid Smith from Dale's Lawn Care presented the proposed landscape for Huntington bank on the corner of E Main and Vernon Rd. On the south side of the building the proposed plant material is liriope and accent boulders will be placed. For the drive through area in the back the plant material proposed will be low growing and hardy plants, due to traffic and line of sight safety issues. On The west side of the parking lot in the island bed the plant material proposed will be tall enough to provide a buffer for headlights. Mr. Smith is open to suggestions on the tree species the Commission would like to see, but the plan he presented proposed a slender silhouette sweet gum tree. The proposed plan for end caps are groupings of liriope and boulders.

Ms. Elena Andrews presented her staff report with the proposed modifications to the existing landscape that is currently there. The majority of the planting is maintained

around the parking lot. There is a vacant tree well in the front and they have proposed to plant a Locust Tree. Existing taxus and Locust Trees within the parking lot are proposed to be removed. Ms. Andrews expressed her concern with are there are 4 existing trees in the parking lot that are proposed to be removed.

Mr. Smith explained to the Commission why he is proposing to remove the Locust trees in the area. The current existing trees are too large for the area. They would like to add something more appropriate for the site. The site does not currently have irrigation and currently have no plans to irrigate the area.

BEXLEY HUNTINGTON BANK RECENT SITE PHOTOS (3)

BEXLEY HUNTINGTON BANK RECENT SITE PHOTOS (4)

BEXLEY HUNTINGTON BANK RECENT SITE PHOTOS (6)

BEXLEY LANDSCAPE UPGRADE REVISION 4 2 2019 (1)

<u>Dale's Lawn Care Huntington Bank Bexley 2019</u>

HUNTINGTON BANK BEXLEY OHIO DALE'S LAWN CARE 4_8_2018 PLAN VIEW

HUNTINGTON BANK BEXLEY OHIO DALE'S LAWN CARE 4 8 2018

BEXLEY ZONING DEPARTMENT - HUNTINGTON BANK LANDSCAPE

BEXLEY LANDSCAPE UPGRADE REVISION 4 2 2019 (1)

Celeste Williams made a motion to Table - 'Application for the May 15, 2019' Motion seconded by Dave Wakeman. **Vote 6 - 0 - passed.**

FOR:

Sheila Straub, Dave Wakeman, Celeste Williams, Linda Zupnick, Jim Wilson,

and Susan Quintenz.

AGAINST: None.

ABSENT: Larry Helman, Bard Giller, Ellen Bowden, and Mollie O'Donnell.

3. Mayor's Report:

Havenwood Landscape Planning Proposal - Updates

No updates to provide.

b. <u>City Council Ordinances:</u>

A proposed Ordinance has been drafted.

Planting in the Right Of Way

c. Other

4. Staff Report: Elena Andrews, consulting Landscape Designer

a. Capital University Sheridan Parking Lot screening – Elena Andrews

Ms. Elena Andrews provided an update regarding an update for Capital University. There were 5 hornbeams that had been replanted on Mound St. They added fruit trees along Sheridan Ave which include malice, cherry, pear, pawpaw, and crab apple trees. A concert pad was located on the corner of College and Mound and it has been removed.

IMG 3708

Trinity Mound Street Tree Planting

Trinity College Ave Courtyard - Pics (1)

Trinity College Ave Courtyard - Plan (1)

Trinity Edible Forest Landscape Design 3.27.19

Trinity Sheridan Mound Planting - Pics (1)

Trinity Sheridan Mound Planting - Plan (1)

Trinity Sheridan Mound Planting - Plan (1)

Tree Care Plan 2019

Sheridan Screening Presentation

5. Old Business

a. <u>Arbor Day -Tree Give Away – Bill Dorman, Grant Archer</u>

Arbor day is April 26, 2019 and lots of events are scheduled throughout the day. All 20 trees were given away within 4 minutes. The Bexley Public Library will have 2 authors come in for Arbor day as well as animals who benefit from trees.

b. North Cassady project/City of Columbus - Bill Dorman

A meeting is set up in May to meet with Columbus to discuss the area near the railroad tracks.

Arboretum Booklet Scope – Jim Wilson

Mr. Jim Wilson requested the Tree Commission share and provide examples of their favorite tree and street tree. The booklet will be 16 pages.

Proposed Table of Contents-Tree Book (002)

d. <u>Priorities for 2019 – Drexel Circle and Main Street Guidelines</u> * Road map for moving ahead

Mr. Dave Wakeman provided an update regarding Drexel Circle and will draft a letter to some contacts in hopes to discuss the plans. He will provide an update next meeting. The Main Street guidelines will be discussed next meeting.

f. Construction Drawing Cost for Broad and Gould – Mrs. Quintenz

e. <u>Drexel Circle Historical marker - Mayor Kessler</u>

Mr. Grant Archer provided an example of a sign in the NW corner of Drexel circle with both a single a double post. A discussion was held among the Tree Commission regarding their thoughts on the double or single post.

Sheila Straub made a motion to Approve - 'Historic marker for Camp Bushnell approved at northwest corner of quadrant of Drexel Circle in hornbeam planting bed adjacent to the sidewalk. A single post is approved for the sign under the direction of Mayor Kessler and Elena Andrews.' Motion seconded by Celeste Williams. **Vote 6 - 0 - passed.**

FOR: Sheila Straub, Dave Wakeman, Celeste Williams, Linda Zupnick, Jim Wilson, and Susan Quintenz.

AGAINST: None.

ABSENT: Larry Helman, Bard Giller, Ellen Bowden, and Mollie O'Donnell.

6. New Business;

a. <u>Cassingham Tree removal – Linda Zupnick, Grant Archer</u>

Ms. Linda Zupnick wanted to ask Mr. Grant Archer about a Shingle Oak located on S Cassingham. The resident will be putting in a request to remove the tree for a more appropriate tree for the site. Mr Grant Archer shared with the Tree Commission that the tree is very healthy, but the spot is tight.

7. Staff Reports:

- a. Bill Dorman, Service Director, City of Bexley
 - 1. Tree City USA Meeting April 18, 2019 Trinity Seminary
 - 2. Calming Circles on Gould Bill Dorman

b. Grant Archer, City Forester, City of Bexley

The daffodil bulbs at Drexel Circle on the northside did not bloom. There are a couple

of reasons the bulbs did not bloom: poor soil, too much irrigation, they did not go dormant, or simply they were just bad bulbs. There is no warranty on the bulbs.

c. Troy Markham, Liaison, Bexley City Council

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