

Minutes of the 7/19/10
Meeting of the Natural Resource Commission
6101 Capulina Morton Grove, IL 60053

Pursuant to proper notice in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the regular meeting of the Natural Resource Commission was called to order at 6:03 PM by Chairperson Mary Busch.

Members of the Commission Present: Chairperson Busch, Commissioner Gilbert, Commissioner Erickson, Commissioner Tarpey

Members of the Commission Absent: Commissioner Conrad, Commissioner Jurians, Commissioner Oliveri

Village Staff Present: Liaison Thill, Liaison Burns

Chairperson Busch announced the first order of business which was the approval of the May 17th and June 21st meeting minutes.

Commissioner Tarpey moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gilbert.

The vote was as follows:

Chairperson Busch – Aye

Commissioner Erickson- Aye

Chairperson Busch announced the second order of business which was a report by Liaison Thill.

Liaison Thill reported on the status of the proposed Tree Removal Ordinance. He stated that the proposal of requiring a permit for the removal of trees on private property 10 inches and greater appeared to be stalled from what he gathered upon reading a letter from the Village Attorney.

The Commission discussed the matter and believed that there were more pros than cons when it came to tree protection and decided they would like an opportunity to respond to the Village Attorney.

Chairperson Busch announced the third order of business which was a report by Liaison Burns. Liaison Burns reported the following:

1. In response to a call by Commissioner Tarpey about tree planting: That the availability of trees for fall planting would soon be posted on the Village web site.
2. That the Morton Arboretum donated two Freeman Maples which were planted in a parkway on the 7200 block of Wilson.
3. That during the recent storms the Village lost one of its historic Oak trees present in the neighborhood by the Village Hall.

Chairperson Busch announced the fourth order of business which was a report on the Champion and Heritage Tree Program. Chairperson Busch noted that there were no applications submitted thus far and requested that members of the Commission attempt to promote the program.

There being no further business, Commissioner Erickson moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gilbert and approved unanimously pursuant to a voice vote at 6:37 PM

Minutes prepared by Bill Burns

APPROVED