Village of Perry Tree Advisory Board Minutes April 11, 2017

Present: Robin Redding, Dan Zerbe, Renee Koziel, Eleanor Jacobs

Renee reviewed the Complete Payroll tree selections and planting sites. The board discussed tree planting procedures with her. The village currently has 16 Bradford pears and 5 red maples stored at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Four residents have requested red maples through the Tree Replacement Form.

The board questioned whether DPW has a list of residents who requested trees prior to the tree board mailing. Consult Ed on this.

Renee wishes to see the trees along the east side of the village park removed. They are old maples and some quite compromised.

The board discussed how to engage school students in village forest projects. Renee suggested getting help to plant 8 Bradford pears at Park Avenue Park.

Other suggestions:

- \* Ask students to submit art work for the website.
- \* Students or board members can volunteer to place mulch around trees on Main St. during Clean Sweep.
- \* Develop an Arbor Day program that might coincide with or be part of the school's Citizenship Day, held near the end of the school year.

The board wants to explore additional tree sources to provide residents with as many choices as possible.

As the village develops the new website, the tree board wants the site to include a mechanism for residents to communicate with the board.

The board requests that Lori and/or Steve develop the application to designate Perry a Tree City USA.

Prior to the next meeting, board members should review the Standards and Specifications document and be prepared to offer input.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 23, 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Eleanor Jacobs