

Shade Tree Commission
Minutes
March 12, 2020 at 7:00 pm
Athens City Council Chambers

Meeting Attendees: David Ingram, Nancy Walker, Emilie Wood, Jim Dyer, Code Dir. David Riggs

1. Title 33: Tree Permit, Right-of-Way Issues, Public Land
 - a. Nothing to report
2. Title 37: Landscape Ordinance Issues
 - a. O’Bleness – The developer met with David Riggs and they discussed three options: banking trees, fitting more trees into the area to be developed, or putting more trees elsewhere on the O’Bleness site. Since then they have reported back that they will be planting all the additional trees required, that the current plan does not include, elsewhere on the O’Bleness site. They will provide a final plan for the trees to the Code Office. David Riggs will make sure the trees are planted. The commissioners approved this solution.
3. Maintenance of the Tree Canopy
 - a. Revival of the Arbor Day committee. The Commission welcomes the revival of the Arbor Day Committee and wishes them well. We look forward to working with them on the site selection for Arbor Day trees.
 - b. West Union St. plans – Nancy Walker attended the recent session of the plans for work along West Union St. She reported that no trees will be lost and the plans looked good.
 - c. David Ingram is meeting with the Mayor tomorrow, March 13, to allocation of resources for the maintenance and planting of trees.
4. Other business
 - a. Two PUDs are possibly coming for the commission to review under Title 21, https://library.municode.com/oh/athens/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TIT21SURRE . Section 21.09 deals with Planned Unit Developments (PUDs).
5. Minutes of the February 13th, 2020
 - a. Motion to approve the minutes from Jim Dyer, seconded by Nancy Walker. The minutes were approved without objection.
6. Next meeting is April 9, 2020 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chamber – this changed to June 9, 2020 via Zoom after the March 12th meeting.