

Town of Henlopen Acres

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MINUTES: Meeting of the Tree Committee of the Town of Henlopen Acres was held on **Monday July 11, 2016 at 1:30 pm** at Town Hall on 104 Tidewaters in Henlopen Acres, Delaware

PRESENT:	Nathalie McGregor	Tree Committee
	John Scheurer	Tree Committee
	Henry DeWitt	Tree Committee
	Freddie Nolan	Tree Committee
	Lynda Moses	Tree Committee
	Thomas Roth	Town Manager
	Lisa Michaels	Town Clerk
	Maurice and Julia Lewis	65 Pine Reach
	James Ashby II	Cypress Tree Care

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:30pm by Mr. Roth.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes of Meeting, March 14, 2016

A **motion** to approve the May 9, 2016 minutes was made by John Scheurer and seconded by Henry DeWitt. **Motion** passed unanimously.

3. Arborist

Mr. James Ashby II from Cypress Tree Care was introduced. His resume was included in the meeting packet. He gave an extensive presentation about his background and experience and valuable suggestions for the Committee members. He specializes in helping Towns with tree inventory management and also Ordinance preparation. Mr. Roth laid out the Town's primary goals as follows: maintain and increase tree canopy, routine tree maintenance and planting, adopt a Tree Ordinance and inventory and evaluate trees on Town property. Mr. Ashby suggested the Town start with a tree inventory, recommending a limited visual survey for all Town trees that would run approximately \$5000. If the Town wanted a more detailed inventory of each tree on Town property it would run approximately \$15,000. Either survey would include building a data base for the Town to use moving forward. A productive discussion ensued between Mr. Ashby and the Committee members. Mr. Ashby will provide a detailed listed of the trees native to the area that would thrive in the various soil types throughout Town. The Committee will discuss their needs further and notify Mr. Ashby of any services they would like him to provide. After Mr. Ashby left, the Tree Committee decided to start doing a tree inventory on their own by walking the streets and evaluating the trees on Town property. They will start along Tidewaters and then move to other streets over multiple days. Once they have compiled their data, they will decide where to have Mr. Ashby focus his attention first.

4. Tree Ordinance/Tree City USA

No action was taken.

5. Any other business

No other business was brought before the Committee

6. Next Meeting

Another meeting was not scheduled.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Roth at 2:35pm..

Approved 09/26/16