

# MEETING MINUTES



Village Of Homewood  
TREE Committee  
June 11, 2015

Homewood Landscape & Maintenance  
Building  
18355 Pierce  
Homewood, IL 60430

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**CALL TO ORDER: 6:31 pm**

**ROLL CALL:** Jim Tresouthick, Karl Persons, Jason Baldauf, Maureen Guger, Al Guger, Janet Hernandez, Debbie Baldauf, Paul Kramer, Joshua Deabel

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Karl Persons 1<sup>st</sup>, Janet Hernandez 2<sup>nd</sup>

**AGENDA ITEMS: -**

**Old Business:**

- **Farmer's Market:** Jason Baldauf will be sending out a reminder prior to the Farmer's Market where we have a table for three more dates: 8/1, 9/5 & 9/19. If those scheduled to attend cannot make it, please let Jason know.
- **Green Thumb Saturday:** The next Green Thumb Saturday event is June 13<sup>th</sup> on Container Gardening presented by Donna Hirsch. Karl Persons is doing the talk on invasive plants in August and Jason Baldauf is doing the September talk on trees.
- **Tree Inventory:** There have been issues with the software in getting this project started. It has the ability to input basic information however additional information needs to be programmed into the software to be usable by the village.
- **Arbor Day:** The Arbor Day plantings went well.

**-New Business**

- **Direction & Goals of the Committee:** The committee discussed our goals and agreed that less is more. We will be focusing primarily on education, Green Thumb Saturdays and TreeShare. In regards to the sustainability award, that would be better served by another committee such as the Green Committee. The Green Committee would have more impact as it is a multiple community committee.

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

- Joshua Deabel who is an alderman from Chicago Heights attended the meeting. He was interested in our TreeShare program as they have a fledgling program.
- Jason Baldauf will bring the Green Thumb topics that were suggested by the committee to the July meeting. Janet Hernandez suggested that a coop or CSA farm can give a presentation.
- The EAB reforestation is continuing with the contractor CMT. There are 266 left of 53 different species, and we are about 11% complete with work continuing through June.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** July 9th at 6:30 pm

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:38 pm, Karl Persons 1<sup>st</sup>, Maureen Guger 2<sup>nd</sup>