

Beech Grove Greenscape Commission Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2017
Hornet Park Community Center

Meeting came to order at 5:00 pm

Members present: Beth Berg, Sister Sheila Fitzpatrick and Brenda Wilson. Absent: Matt Nelis and Stuart Wilson.

Guest: Ben Easley

Ben recently moved to Beech Grove and is interested in learning more about the city and the roles of the different boards and commissions.

Following a brief discussion about seeking a DNR grant for updating the city's tree inventory, consensus was to not proceed with an application this year. More information is needed to ensure the proposal would meet the needs of the city.

The Commission's next project will be completing the city's application for recertification as a Tree City USA. Beth will bring her laptop to the next meeting so everyone can see how the online application process works.

Brenda suggested we begin working on next year's Arbor Day tree planting event. The last two years it has been part of the Park's Department's Going Green in the Grove event, and we will continue our participation, but other partnership options can be explored to celebrate Arbor Day.

Sr. Sheila suggested we meet with Mayor Buckley to discuss the feasibility of pursuing a DNR grant next year and/or other projects the Commission might do to benefit the city in the future. She will contact the Mayor about setting up a meeting.

Beech Grove Middle School completed their Keep Indianapolis Beautiful grant project, planting 19 trees on the school's property.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

Next meeting: Monday, November 20, 2017, 5:00pm at the Hornet Park Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Berg, Secretary