



Zebulon Parks & Recreation Department
Tree Board
February 21, 2022

The Town of Zebulon Tree Board will hold a meeting on Monday, February 21st, at 6 PM. The meeting will be held at the Zebulon Town Hall, 1003 N. Arendell Avenue.

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Public Comment: Public comments are limited to 3 minutes. Anyone wishing to speak must sign up by 5:50 PM. Public comment may be limited to 15 minutes.
4. Consent
 - a. Adoption of Minutes
 - i. October 19th, 2020
5. New Business
 - a. Tree City USA Projects
 - b. Future Meeting Schedule
6. Open Discussion
7. Staff Update
 - a. Earth Day: April 23rd
 - b. Next Tree Board Meeting: May 16th
8. Adjournment



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**Tree Board Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2021**

The Town of Zebulon Tree Board held a meeting on Monday, October 18 th, 2021 immediately following the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting.

Board Member Attendance: Dexter, Brandon, Garrett, Erica, Genia
Staff Attendance: Sheila, Hannah B., Amy

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order

Start – 6:30 PM

Erica called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Agenda

Erica called for a motion to approve the agenda.

1st-Dexter Privette

2nd - Garrett Underhill

All voted in favor.

3. Public Comment: Public comments are limited to 3 minutes. Anyone wishing to speak must sign up by 5:50 PM. Public comment may be limited to 15 minutes.

No comments.

4. Consent

a. Adoption of Minutes

i. October 19th, 2020

Erica called for a motion to adopt the minutes.

1st - Brandon Wiggins

2nd - Dexter Privette

All voted in favor.

5. New Business

a. Tree City USA Projects

Amy Hayden, Recreation Manager, spoke to the board regarding our future Tree City USE Projects. The Town of Zebulon has been a Tree City member for 16 years. In the past, when we have done our annual tree planting in the past it has been a smaller event during the day. This year we would like to have more involvement from community members. Gina Bryant, retired school teacher who currently teaches STEM programs for us, will be working with us with our tree planting this year and planning future projects. One Saturday, November 13 at 10 AM we will be holding our annual tree planting. We plan to plant 4 Crepe Myrtle trees at community park. We plan to have the community assist with the planting. Gina will also lead a program for children in which they learn about trees, and each get a seedling to take home and plant. We also plan to begin having environmental programs once a quarter related to the trees we are planting this year. Erica called for a motion to approve the recommended 2021 Tree City USA Arbor Planting and Observation program.

1st - Garrett Underhill

2nd - Brandon Wiggins

All voted in favor.



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b. Future Meeting Schedule

The department would like to make this program more impactful to our community. We would like to provide more opportunities to meet and discuss what the department and town are doing and how programs are going. The department proposed that the Tree Board meet quarterly. These meetings will immediately follow four of the Advisory Board meetings. The proposed dates are;

- February 21, 2022
- May 16, 2022
- August 22, 2022
- October 24, 2022

1st-Erica Parsons

2nd - Garrett Underhill

All voted in favor.

6. Open Discussion

Brandon Wiggins– Very happy to see trees going in the ground, instead of being pulled out of the ground. In watching his neighborhood grow he has noticed a lot of trees being cut down and land cleared.

Garrett Underhill– Glad that the department has a tree board and that the department can do projects like this. He recently purchased some oak trees for his own yard.

7. Staff Update

No update provided.

8. Adjournment

1st-Erica Parsons

2nd - Brandon Wiggins

All voted in favor.

End – 6:40 PM



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Topic: Native & Non-Native Plants
From: Parks & Recreation Staff
Prepared by: Sheila Long, Parks & Recreation Director
Presented by: Chris Frey, Wake County Ranger, NC Forestry Service

Background

The NC Forestry Service has worked with Zebulon Parks and Recreation Department for years on the annual Tree City USA program. They have also prepared Urban Forestry Plans for Zebulon Community Park and Little River Park. Based on their recommendations at Little River Park, this Tree Board recommended removal of the Kudzu at Little River Park. A project that is currently in motion.

Chris Frey will present information on native, non-native and invasive plants.

Requested Action

No action required.