

**Environmental Commission
Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2012**

In Attendance:

Greg LoBuono, co-vice chair
Greg Sunday, co-vice chair
Dave Colteryahn
Ben Strickler, Parks and Recreation Representative

Meeting was called order at 6:08 pm by co-vice chair Greg LoBuono.

Minutes: Meeting minutes for January 4, 2012 were reviewed by not voted upon, due to lack of quorum.

Standing Business

Correspondence and Articles: Dave informed group of the increasing spread of the Emerald Ash Borer in nearby communities.

EC Activity Hours: Greg S/1, Dave/2, Greg L/2

Adopt-a-Roadway: Clean up schedule will be discussed at next meeting.

Parks Board Report

No report was given as Bob Breen was not present.

Parks Department Report

Ben reported our status as a "Tree City USA" was approved for 2011. The next "Tree City USA" meeting will be in Amberley Village. The date of this meeting will be on Friday, April 20, 2012. The time of this meeting is yet to be disclosed. Ben attended ALB meeting with Joe Boggs from the OSU Extension Cooperative Office. He provided information how to identify the ALB and how to determine if a tree has been infected. Wendy Van Buren conducted an EAB and tree pruning class for city employees in January.

Website Update: Ben included the stats for January in the meeting packet. Ben is in the process of updating the website.

Other Business

EAB Management Plan Review: The city should compile a list of appropriate tree care operators to use for EAB control and tree removal.

Dave will gather information on parasitic insects to control EAB.

Miscellaneous: Liz Hunter, due to an injury, has resigned from Environmental Commission.

Greg Sunday will not seek re-appointment to the Environmental Commission.

At the March meeting we will sign a card for Liz. Both Liz and Greg will be greatly missed.

Types of tree to be given away at the Home Improvement Expo were discussed: 1st choice was the Tupelo and 2nd choice was Eastern Red Bud.

Greg Sunday will check with Servatii's about donating donuts and coffee for upcoming river sweep.

Ordinance Review: Discussion was tabled at this time.

Calendar:

EC Meeting – Wednesday, March 7, 2012 at 6:00 pm, CAC

Home Expo – Saturday, April 14, 2012 at 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, CAC

Adjournment: at 7:03 pm