

FROM: Nashville Tree Board

July 13, 2006

TO: Nashville Town Council  
P O Box 446  
Nashville, IN 47448

SUBJECT: TREE BOARD MINUTES

The Nashville Tree Board met on Thursday, July 13, 2006, at 8:30 a.m. at the Nashville Town Hall. In attendance were Cathy Paradise, Jim Eagleman, John Davis, Phyllis Carr, and Bruce Gould.

The Soil Conservation District and Plant-a-Million (trees) program administered by Hoosier Heartland each contributed \$150 towards the \$300 used to purchase three red maple trees, which were planted by the town. Two of the trees were planted on West Main Street and the third tree was planted in front of the Ordinary where an existing tree had died. The maple trees were each over ten feet tall with dirt balls weighing several hundred pounds, so these are very nice trees which will provide shade quickly.

John Davis had blown up a map of the downtown area for use in a tree inventory and plans are being finalized to conduct an extensive tree inventory in August or September using Tree Board members and other assistance. If possible, this inventory should be put on a computer program to provide easy maintenance.

Dan Cook is tentatively scheduled to make a landscape plan presentation at a special meeting on July 27 at 9:30 a.m. at Town Hall. Once this date and time is confirmed, a posting of the meeting will be provided. Dan's plan is being paid for by a grant and provides a plan for the East Washington Street area and Fiesta Parking Lot area.

John Davis is concerned about the appearance and maintenance of sidewalk cutouts where trees are located. Several cutouts have become filled with weeds and trash, and some shop owners have implanted different types of mulch, stones, etc. We will entertain options at our next meeting.

A tree inventory of mature Bradford pear trees will be taken to determine if they need to be thinned out or even replaced.

Ada Jones continues to question the town about a dead tree located on county property at the old log jail building. A letter had been sent advising her that the tree was a county concern, but apparently the county does not plan to take any action. She and the county will be advised again that the tree is on county property.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m. The next regular meeting is on October 13.