Tree Allies Meeting Minutes

Monday, 6-16-2025

6 pm

Members present: Larry Beiter, Grace Brenzek, Linda Straub, Mike Beam, Tim Lombard, Heidi Boyle, Chris Boyle, Bernie Denning, Mallory Abel, Amber Lane, Sarah Gray.

Approval of May meeting minutes.

Larry proposed approval of May minutes and Chris seconded.

Fish Fry/Car Show:

Saturday, June 20: Mallory cannot be at the Car Show. Mike reported that Sue from the Town Council suggested an outdoor table. Bernie has a table and a pop-up tent that he will bring. The event is on Saturday, June 21, 11-2 pm. Sarah and Larry have donated saplings. Mallory has a red twig dogwood. Drop off at Bernie's house. Any other donations, bring to Bernie's home.

Fall Tree Sale

Mike has a list from Woody's Warehouse/Tree Farm and has a list that he proposed putting online as we get closer to the event. Mike made categories of trees and suggested limited tree species offered. Heidi agreed that was a good idea. Mike proposed using this tree list for 2025 and then developing a specific focus for the next years. It was discussed that the Allies would mark up the trees 50%. The group reconsidered and agreed that we would mark up trees only minimally and to an even number. We would order all the trees and do a tree pick up and disperse at a specific date and location, probably at the end of October. Mallory asked how to receive the payment processing. Larry to set up a Tree Allies fund and the group could take personal checks. Amber suggested showing a visual of a 3 gallon tree size to prevent buyers from disappointment. Mallory suggested using the Tree Allies newsletter format to offer trees. Mike to send Town newsletter and prompt people that trees will be available for purchase.

September Events

Fall Parade. Vendors and food are scheduled for September 20 at Lions Club Park. In the morning, the annual parade will occur. The group agreed to become a vendor/participant in the Festival by manning a table from 11 to 3. The group wishes to continue to plan to build tree float for the parade. **Parade Subcommittee:**

Mallory, Grace, Amber, Chris, Sarah. Building a faux tree. Give out "Tree-ts" from float.

New trees at Clermont sign

Watering: Volunteers needed. Possible use of Town Gator. Contact Grace.

New news

Bernie discussed that an individual in town needs a downed tree removed. Larry and Bernie offered to individually cut up the fallen tree.

Tim said he wants to cut a tree on 1st Ave and Crawfordsville. He will send email and asks everyone to reply all to the group with discussion about the trees.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM, seconded by Larry.