

**Agenda of the Avon Lake Citizens Tree Commission
January 8, 2025, 6pm, Old Firehouse**

Roll Call:

- **Voting Members:** Amanda Byrnes; Kim Currie, Katie Downie; Sue Newcomb; Terry Robison; Council representative Jennifer Fenderbosch; Urban Forester (Vacant)
- **Guests:** Jon Liskovec, Public Works Director

Quorum: Yes

Minutes of Prior Meetings:

- Motion by Ms. Downie, 2nd by Ms. Newcomb to approve December 11, 2024 minutes. Passed.

City Council Report:

- Would like Tree Commission members to attend City Council meetings 1-2x per month.
- Seeking a Parks and Recs Commission member from wards 3 and 4

Public Works Report:

- Tree inventory still in progress
- Winter pruning will be coming up

Urban Forester Report:

- Urban Forester position included in city budget. Working on job description.

Environmental Affairs Advisory Board (EAAB) report:

- Meetings are now scheduled on the same evenings as Tree Commission.
- Board has transition into more of an advocacy role .

Old Business

- **ALGC Plant Sale** - Saturday, May 10th. Tree saplings have been ordered. Saplings will also be sold at the Fall Festival.
- **Avon Lake Celebration of Life** - To be housed at the library. Residents can deposit money at the library and then write their memory. Finance will coordinate with the library to pick up funds.
Motion to Public Service Committee to adopt 1070.02(f)3 Avon Lake Legacy Tree Program by Ms. Newcomb, 2nd by Ms. Currie.
- **Big Tree Contest** - Partnering with Lorain County soil and water conservation to help distribute information to our residents about the contest. Plan to award an AL resident with the biggest tree separately. Tree selected is eastern white pine. Contest will start at the end of February and go through July and the winner will be awarded in September.

New Business:

- Avon Lake Urban Forest Management Plan - revisions and discussions

Other Items:

Motion to adjourn: Motion by Ms. Downie, 2nd by Mr. Robinson.

Next meeting: February 12, 2025, 6:00 pm, Old Firehouse