

**Abingdon Tree Commission  
Regular Meeting Agenda  
February 20, 2023  
7:30 PM**

- 1) Roll Call
  
- 2) Approval of September 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes
  
- 3) Petitions and Public Hearings
  
- 4) Reports to the Commission
  - a) Welcome New Tree Commission Member
  
  - b) 2023 Arbor Day
  
  - c) Inflation Reduction Act
  
  - d) 2023 Tree Give Away Program
  
  - e) New Office Location
  
  - f) Big Tree
  
- 5) Items Not on the Agenda

**Abingdon Tree Commission**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**November 21, 2022**

**Commission Members Present:** Muhammad Hasham, Stuart Hale, Vasily Lakoba

**Commission Members Absent:** Amanda Pillion, Greg Meade

**Town of Abingdon Staff Present:** Kevin Sigmon

**Public Present:** none

**1) Roll Call**

The meeting began at 7:30 PM with roll call. As noted above, 3 of the 5 members were present and a quorum was achieved for the meeting.

**2) Acceptance of the September 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

Motion to accept the minutes of the 9/19/22 meeting minutes as presented: Mr. Hale. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Lakoba.  
Motion passed.

**3) Petitions and Public Hearings**

None presented.

**4) Reports to the Commission**

1. **Tree Give Away Program Recap:** Mr. Sigmon reviewed the event and the data. In summary, 1,030 one gallon sized container trees were given away. At the give away event, approximately 70% of the registrants came to get their trees. There was discussion about a different event location for 2023...maybe at the back of the Visitor's Center. Mr. Lakoba stated the American Chestnut Foundation can provide Black Oak seedlings for 2023.
2. **Veterans Day Recap:** Mr. Sigmon stated that only one memorial tree needed to be planted this fall. The other trees will be planted in time for the Spring 2023. Mr. Lakoba stated it would be best if the new American Chestnut (Kilgore) is scheduled for Fall 2023.
3. **Tree City USA:** Mr. Sigmon stated the application is due by the end of the year and he will prepare Abingdon's application in the coming month.

**5) Items Not on the Agenda**  
Nothing reported

The next scheduled meeting is set for December 19, 2022 on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of Town Hall at 7:30 PM.

There being no further matters to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM..

