

# Mayville Tree Advisory Committee Meeting Notes

## February 20, 2024

Attendance: Laura Marsala, Robert Marsala, Elizabeth Lasser, Rose Clarke, Mark Smith, Priscilla McKean, Jon Ortendahl, Mayor Rick Syper

Discussion:

- **Review of concept plan for Lakeside Park**
  - Applied for Bed Tax Grant from the County.
  - Carol Markham (CWC) helped review site features and tree species.
  - This is the largest public space along the lakeshore; hopefully this gives our application an edge!
  - Discussed a playspace, [nature play area](#). Rose has experience with this, could share resources and funding options.
- **GPS mapping of village trees**
  - Anyone who wants to help with this will be invited to a training session on how to use the Diamond Mapping System hosted by the Village, and Tim Johnson.
  - Village has ipads to use for the project.
  - Will create a tree layer, including location, species, circumference, notes about condition, and photos.
- **Soil testing around potential sites for Fall 2025 planting**
  - Laura has a reader that shows pH, moisture content, and sunlight level (at that moment)
  - Elizabeth volunteered to help with this.
- **Starting a Community Watch for tree monitoring**
  - Citizens can share comments re: vines, dead trees, spots for new trees, etc.
  - Comments can be directed to the Village for follow-up.
  - Create webpage on Village website: <https://www.villageofmayville.com/tree-committee.html>
- **April Tree Clinics**
  - Laura has created flyer, please share with friends and neighbors!
  - Register at Mayville Library or online: [bit.ly/LEAF2024](http://bit.ly/LEAF2024)
- **Organizing Arbor Day Ceremony?**
  - Requirement for Tree City USA
- **Encouraging tourism**
  - attracting festivals and uses, highlighting trees and Lakeside Park
- **Setting up online home for Committee through Village website**
  - <https://www.villageofmayville.com/tree-committee.html>
  - Share in Village newsletter (Constant Contact)
    - Village just keeps the most basic level. If they pay for the next level up, they could keep an individual "tree list" and send text messages, but don't have that capability right now.
- **Maintenance - water bags, wrap for trunks, etc.**
  - Built into grant request. Need to demonstrate a 98% survival rate!
  - 75 trees, Village committed 1 week of labor to plant (3 workers)
- **Fundraising ideas**
  - Memorial plaques sponsoring a tree, Moon tree promotion

NEXT MEETING: March 19, 2024 @ 6:00 pm, Carlson Center