MINUTES

City of Plymouth
Urban Forest and Flower Committee
February 17, 2026

**Members Present**: Mike Wolfington, Jim Marquardt, Steve Listenberger, Jodie Overmyer, Cameron Arnold, Bob Yoder. Absent: Luke Felde, Mike Hite, Debbie Palmer. Also in attendance: Lindsey Spaulding, Adam Thada

Approval of minutes from January 21 – Jim M motioned to approve the minutes from the last meeting, Bob Y. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Fall Tree Planting** – Cameron talked to the city of Kendallville folks about their tree program. They are using a tablet to inventory their trees. Discussion followed. This could be done in Plymouth, possibly concentrating on one part of the city at a time due to time constraints of those with the knowledge to do it. Cameron also suggested we continue to look for another grower for the trees; he wasn't happy with the quality of those that were purchased last year. A discussion was held about adding protection to the base of all newly installed trees. Luke has done this in the past. It has made a difference and all thought that we should continue to do this. Also discussed was the use of volunteers to plant the trees. Possibly FFA members looking for volunteer hours? There was a concern about liability if this was done. Adam mentioned that there is a grant available through NIPSCO for special projects. This could be another source of funding for the city.

**Downtown Planters** – Lindsey and Jodie looked at the downtown pots and came up with sketches and estimates. These will be forwarded to the mayor. Lindsey was willing to run the plants through her business and will need to be set up as a vendor with the city.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was a discussion held about the number of members allowed on the committee. Lindsey would like to become a member but there isn't an open space at this time. The possibility of Luke resigning was brought up since he hasn't been able to attend recently due to health concerns. The committee will reach out to him to see if he is willing to do that. Officers were selected with Mike W. agreeing to serve as president for another and Jodie agreeing to perform secretarial duties.

With no further business, Cameron made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bob Y. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm. Next meeting is March 18, 2026. Minutes by Jodie Overmyer.