

**WINCHESTER TREE COMMISSION
MINUTES
November 19, 2009**

The rescheduled November monthly meeting of the Winchester Tree Commission was held on Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Building at City Yards.

Mr. Farris, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Ms. Stickley made a motion to approve the October minutes; seconded by Mr. Roulston, motion was approved.

Members present: Mr. Patrick Farris, Ms. Mary Stickley, Mr. T'ai Roulston and Ms. Chris Scully.

Members absent: Ms. Allison Major and Ms. Kate Christen

Staff present: Clint Cantrell and Tim Stern

New Business:

1) **Discussion of Tree Removal/Trimming requests:**

630 Tennyson Avenue

Mr. Roulston made a motion to trim the tree located at 630 Tennyson Avenue and deny removal; seconded by Ms. Scully, motion was approved.

204 Sheridan Avenue

Mr. Farris made a motion to remove the tree located at 204 Sheridan Avenue; seconded by Mr. Roulston, motion was approved.

127 N. Cameron Street

A Bradford Pear tree was removed due to damage caused from being hit by a delivery truck.

1310 S. Braddock Street

Mr. Roulston made a motion to trim the tree located at 1310 S. Braddock Street and deny removal; seconded by Ms. Stickley, motion was approved.

2) Construction of Tree Commission meeting and business protocol:

Mr. Farris stated that he is keeping this on the agenda until it is done. Mr. Farris stated that since the Natural Resources Advisory Board has completed one, there is a forefront to follow.

3) Tree Planting/Removal tree tags:

Tim Stern presented a copy of the tentative tags that will be used to keep the public informed when a tree is up for review by the Tree Commission. Mr. Roulston stated that he thinks the tags should be reworded so that the public knows the Tree Commission has been asked to review the tree. Mr. Farris stated that the tags should say, "The Winchester City Tree Commission has been asked to review this tree for trimming/removal." Mr. Farris asked Tim Stern to reword the tag and email him a copy so that he can forward it to the other members.

Comments from Commission Members:

- 1) Mr. Farris stated that he will prepare the minutes from the special meeting and he will have them ready for the next meeting. Mr. Farris stated that the Winchester Star contacted him regarding the median trees on Cameron Street. Mr. Farris stated that he was very clear and that instead of six Red Oaks being planted in the Cameron Street medians, the headline read, "One hundred and forty Red Oaks to be planted throughout the city." Mr. Farris stated that he suggested that the Winchester Star do a story on the Tree Commission members walking the city and making planting suggestions for the construction zone. Mr. Farris stated that Perry Eisenach delivered maps of the planting sites for the construction zone. Mr. Farris stated that the members can schedule a special meeting to walk the zone and discuss planting species. He stated that it may take two meetings to walk the entire zone. Mr. Roulston asked if it would be possible to get input from the Natural Resources Advisory Board as well. Mr. Farris stated that he would contact Gerald Crowell and request a list of suggestions.

The members all agreed to conduct a special meeting on Thursday, December 10, 2009 at 9:00a.m. in the two-way conversion project zone to discuss tree planting species. The meeting will begin in front of the Handley Library on Braddock Street and will proceed South on Braddock Street, East on Gerrard Street, North on Cameron Street and West on Piccadilly Street. Mr. Farris asked Clint Cantrell to send out the press release with the details of the meeting. Mr. Farris stated that there are a total of one hundred forty-eight planting sites and he hopes to add about eight more. Mr. Farris stated that he will ask Perry Eisenach to email him copies of the current tree well map so that he can forward it to the members.

Mr. Farris stated that once the Tree Commission makes decisions on planting species, he will ask Perry Eisenach to complete a new map with the tree species listed. Mr. Farris stated that this will give the members a chance to take a final look at the overall construction zone in case they see any necessary changes. Mr. Farris stated that the final document will be available at City Yards so that Tree Commission members can stop by to view it individually.

Adjourn:

With no further business to discuss, Ms. Stickley made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Roulston, motion was approved.

**CITY OF WINCHESTER
TREE COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2009
SUBMITTED NOVEMBER 19, 2009**

This report is a summary of contractor expenses and an activity listing of trimmings, plantings, removals and stump grindings for the month of October 2009.

**EXPENSES REPORT
(Billings for October 2009)**

CONTRACTOR TRIMMINGS:	CONTRACTOR PLANTINGS:	CONTRACTOR REMOVALS:	TOTAL:
\$2,025.00	\$395.00	\$1,475.00	\$3,895.00

ACTIVITY REPORT

TRIMMING:	PLANTINGS:	REMOVALS:	STUMP GRINDING:
331 W. Whitlock Ave.	Handley Campus (replaced Arbor Day Tree)	Across from 4 S. Washington St.	Across from 4 S. Washington St.
Corner of Braddock/North Ave.	1739 Brandon Dr.	809 National Ave.	809 National Ave.
Corner of Braddock/Piccadilly St.	Triangle Area at Pleasant Valley and Berryville Ave.	23 S. Stewart St.	23 S. Stewart St.
213 W. Whitlock Ave.		CVS island on Merrimans Ln. (damaged by vehicle)	725 Van Fossen St.
811 S. Loudoun St. (x2)		115 E. Clifford St. (split pear tree)	
504 Courtfield Ave.		Corner of Amherst/Braddock St.	
310 S. Loudoun St.		137 Amherst St.	
Corner Braddock/Wyck St.		138 Amherst St.	
Island on Jubal Early Dr near Bellview Ave. (x3)		Across from 116 Wolfe St.	
Loudoun St. Mall (Brewbakers)		Across from 1305 S. Loudoun St.	
13 Trees	3 Trees	10 Trees	4 Stumps