



**MUNICIPAL TREE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 14, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room West, City Hall, 900 Quay St.**

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Commissioners Present: Al Schema, Alder Debaets, Tim Randerson, & Horst Abel

Staff Present: Dan Koski, Billy Hutterer, Al Rehme

Commissioners Absent: Denise Maser

Members of the Public: (none)

**Call meeting to order**

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m. by A. Schema.

**Approval of the minutes from the September 12, 2024 meeting**

A motion was made by Alder Debaets and seconded by T. Randerson to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public input session**

None.

**Report on tree maintenance since last meeting**

421 trees removed

28 locations where trees were trimmed

1 load of firewood delivered (383 saw logs were delivered to Krueger Lumber Co. - \$5581.70 revenue)

51 trees were planted

1 tree removal permits

0 planting permits

**Urban forestry grant opportunities**

Al Rehme told the commission that the City applied for a \$25,000 Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Urban Forestry Grant.

**Review of the lists of "Suggested Street Trees" and "Trees Not Recommended For Street Tree Planting" included in the "Street Tree and Shrub Planting Policy"**

A motion was made by Alder Debaets and seconded by T. Randerson to remove the Callery Pear from the list of suggested street trees. The motion passed.

A motion was made by T. Randerson and seconded by Alder Debaets to remove the Amur Maple and the Tatarian Maple from the list of suggested street trees. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Alder Debaets and seconded by T. Randerson to add the Dogwood & Yellowwood to the list of suggested street trees. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Alder Debaets and seconded by T. Randerson to remove the Globe Norway Maple from the list of suggested street trees. The motion passed.

**Arbor Day 2025**

Commission members discussed having the Arbor Day Celebration at either Lakeview Park by Madison School or at the Zoo/Mariners Trail area. The program could be held inside the Zoo's educational building.

**Schedule of meetings for 2025**

A motion was made by Alder Debaets and seconded by T. Randerson to approve the proposed 2025 meeting schedule. The motion passed.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. It carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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