



OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that the Tree Commission of the City of Stoughton, Wisconsin will hold regular or special meeting as indicated on the date, time and location given below.

Meeting of the:
Date /Time:
Location:

TREE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STOUGHTON

Wednesday, June 14th, @ 6:00 p.m.

In Person Meeting Will be Held At:

The Stoughton Public Works Facility, 2439 County Rd A, Stoughton, WI

Virtual Meeting – Join from your computer, tablet or smartphone:

<https://meet.goto.com/121966325>

You can also dial in using your phone.

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United States: +1 (224) 501-3412

Access Code: 121-966-325

Members:

Kevin Short, Dean Tangeman, Mike Point, Jim Fitzgibbon, Alder Fred Hundt, Aaron Mazzone, City Forester John Kempainen, Director Brett Hebert, and Mayor Tim Swadley

| Item # | CALL TO ORDER |
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| 1 | Communications |
| 2 | Approve April 12 th , 2023 Meeting Minutes |
| 3 | Forestry Report – May 2023 |
| 4 | Tree Commission Financial Report |

| Item # | OLD BUSINESS |
|--------|--------------------------------------------|
| 1. | Spring Tree Sale – Trees that are leftover |
| 2. | High School Arboretum Project |
| 3. | Stoughton Notable Tree Project |

| Item # | NEW BUSINESS |
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| 4. | Oak Trimming Ordinance for the City |

Future Agenda Items:

ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: AN EXPANDED MEETING MAY CONSTITUTE A QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Tree Commission Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 12th, 2023 @ 5:00 PM
Hybrid Meeting - Stoughton, WI

Members Present: Mike Point, Kevin Short, Dean Tangeman, Aaron Mazzone & Jim Fitzgibbon

Absent & Excused: Fred Hundt

Staff: City Forester John Kemppainen

Guest: Megan Blomel

Call to order: Tangeman called to order @ 5:02 PM

- **Communications:**
- *Kemppainen* stated a Oak Savanna will be plated at new park at 51 West.
- *Tangeman* would like to change meeting time to 6:00pm. All were in favor and will be changed moving forward.
- **Approval of minutes from February 8th, 2023 Meeting:**
Motion by Short, seconded by Mazzone. Carried 6-0
- **Approval of minutes from March 8th, 2023 Meeting:**
Motion by Short, seconded by Point. Carried 6-0
- **February Forestry Reports:** *Kemppainen* stated:
 - He assisted with several snow events in March.
 - The Forestry Intern position was filled.
 - One city tree was removed in March at Heggstad Memorial Walk. Additional large tree removals still need to be completed within some parks but conditions have not been conducive to using equipment on turf covered areas.
 - Spring tree planting preparation began. Eighty trees have been purchased for street terrace planting, approximately half of which will be for new homes. Twenty trees have been ordered to place in the gravel bed nursery for planting later in the year as well.
 - Zero ordinance violation notices were issued in March.
 - Twenty terrace tree planting applications for new construction were submitted in March.
- **OLD BUSINESS: Canopy Cover**

Short attended and recently spoke to the Sustainability Committee on behalf of the Tree Commission in April and promoted the upcoming tree sale. Members seemed generally excited.

Spring Tree Sale

Kemppainen stated the tree sale is still on for April 29th for 9am to Noon. Pricing is \$60/tree and it has been posted on social media.

Arbor Day Celebration Visits:

Megan Blomel joined for the discussion and visits will be in the morning at Kegonsa School and then Fox Prairie in the afternoon. 12 students from the Environmental Club will visit each school to talk to the students about trees and how to plant them.

High School Arboretum:

Tangeman spoke to the FFA Alumni about planting some new trees and they would be willing to fund these. The Tree Commission may work with students in the A.G. program to map and care for trees as well as tree ID markers.

- **NEW BUSINESS: Stoughton Notable Trees Initiative:**

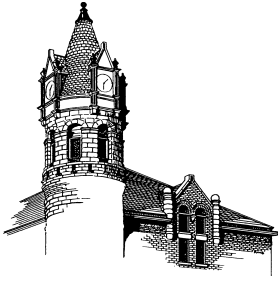
Tangeman stated there is no update at this time.

Future Agenda Items:

Oak trimming ordinance for the City

Motion by Short, seconded by Mazzone to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 p.m. Motion carried 4-0

Respectfully submitted 4/19/23, Jen Wagner - Staff



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BRETT HEBERT
Director of Public Works
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To: Brett Hebert

From: John Kemppainen

Date: 06/01/2023

Re: May Forestry Activities Report

- The Forestry Intern position started working in May.
- Fourteen (14) city trees were removed in May.
- Spring tree planting was completed. Eighty (80) trees were planted in street terraces. An additional 30 native oak trees were planted in the new park in the 51 West development in the northwest corner of Stoughton, to create an oak savanna ecosystem.
- I have been placed in charge of the herbicide/pesticide application program for Public Works. Spraying ball fields and parks infrastructure for weeds took a significant amount of time in May.
- Zero (0) ordinance violation notices were issued in May.
- Twelve (12) terrace tree planting applications for new construction were submitted in May.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Kemppainen, C.A.
City Forester