



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, September 14th, 2022 @ 5:00 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/620683125>

You can also dial in using your phone.

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Access Code: 620-683-125

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
1	Communications
2	Approve August 10 th , 2022 Meeting Minutes
3	Forestry Report – August 2022

Item #	OLD BUSINESS
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Item #	NEW BUSINESS
4	Planning for Fall lumber sale
5	Discuss in more detail about Canopy Cover and how to incorporate it in the City

Future Agenda Items:

ADJOURNMENT

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

Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 10th, 2022 @ 5:00 PM

Virtual Meeting - Stoughton, WI

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

Absent & Excused: Dean Tangeman and Fred Hundt

Staff: City Forester John Kemppainen and Admin Asst. Jen Wagner

Guest:

Call to order: Short called to order @ 5:07 PM

- **Communications:**

- **Approval of minutes from July 13th, 2022 Meeting:** Motion by Mazzone, seconded by Point to approve the minutes. Carried 4-0.

- **July Forestry Reports:** *Kemppainen* stated:

- The trees which were defoliated by moths have recovered nicely. The Forestry Division will monitor the area for egg masses to prevent repeated attacks. Spongy Moth damage was noted in the downtown corridor, on ornamental trees bordering a public parking lot. Further inspection revealed large scale infestation in multiple trees and complete defoliation of two trees. The Forestry Division will monitor these trees for health and take appropriate actions.
- Prep work was completed on lumber for a new boardwalk installation later this year along the Yahara River
- City Forester John Kemppainen completed training and testing to become a Certified Pesticide Applicator in the State of WI in July
- Road construction projects continued in July. Multiple on-site meetings were required for tree and root conflicts with curb and/or sidewalk replacement
- Fourteen city trees were removed due to poor health and/or storm in July. This work was completed by in-house staff
- Two terrace tree planting applications for new construction were submitted in July

- **NEW BUSINESS: Discussion of generating more sales for lumber:**

Kemppainen stated all the current lumber on hand have been onsite for years and would really like to move it out. Discussion was had that another lumber sale would help and perhaps drastically reduce pricing to help move it out quicker. The Commission agreed a Fall sale should take place, with date to be determined at next month's meeting.

- **Discussion of interaction between other Committees; Sustainable Committee & Rivers and Trails Taskforce:**

This will be tabled again until Tangeman attends a meeting as the request to discuss was brought up by him.

- **Discuss canopy cover:**

Short stated it is a great forestry tool that is a good metric to look at the Forest as a whole. *Kemppainen* will look further into this for more details and discuss at next meeting.

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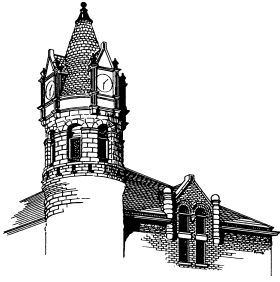
Planning for Fall lumber sale

Discuss in more detail about Canopy Cover and how to incorporate in the City

Motion by Mazzone, seconded by Point to adjourn the meeting at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted 8/11/22, Jen Wagner - Staff

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BRETT HEBERT
Director of Public Works
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To: Brett Hebert

From: John Kemppainen

Date: 09/06/2022

Re: August Forestry Activities Report

- Preparations for fall tree planting have begun. Approximately 80 trees will be planted throughout the city, many will be planted at new homes in Nordic Ridge and on Abel Court.
- Prep work for the new boardwalk installation near Coopers Causeway continued in August.
- A city-wide brush collection was completed in August.
- Road construction projects continued in August. Tree conflicts were not an issue.
- Six (6) city trees were removed due to poor health and/or storm in August. This work was completed by Jim's Tree Service.
- A tree at 1100 Giles St. was scheduled to be removed, but bees within the tree have made removal difficult. Multiple people have been stung multiple times each while working on the tree, despite hiring a pest control service to spray for bees.
- Six (6) ordinance violation notices were sent out to residents in August. Three (3) notices were for dead ash trees, two(2) for trimming low branches over roadways, and one (1) notice for an unapproved raised planter in the street terrace.
- Six (6) terrace tree planting applications for new construction were submitted in July.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Kemppainen, C.A.
City Forester