



City of Carthage, Missouri

TREE BOARD

August 8, 2023 - 4:30 PM
Parks & Recreation Office
720 Robert Ellis Young Drive
Carthage, MO 64836

MINUTES

1. Old Business

1. Approval of Previous Minutes.

ACTION: Motion to accept/approve item 1.1. by Bryan Stringer;
second by Jason Cutler;
Motion passed with a 3:0

AYES: Bryan Stringer, Jason Cutler, Noah Smith

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Citizens Participation

(Citizens wishing to speak should notify Department Head or Committee Chair in advance)

Jo Ellis and Beth King spoke about wanting to get permission to plant a tree at Kellogg Lake in memory of a friend's son passing. The tree board stated that they are working on creating a policy for planting trees in city parks and agreed to reach out to Ms. King and Ms. Ellis when the policy is created.

3. New Business

1. Consider and Discuss Tree Board City Ordinance.

Tree board discussed reviewing the current Tree Board Ordinance and making changes to multiple things. They would like to rephrase and change the part that mentions what it takes to become a member of the Tree board. They would also like to add a paragraph that mentions the approval processes for planting a tree in a city park. There were also minor changes in other paragraphs. The ordinance will be brought to the City Attorney to be reviewed and then sent to the Public Services Committee.

2. Consider and Discuss City Trees in Parks.

Ms. Almandinger stated that the last tree inventory was completed in 2008 and is very outdated. She stated that she is planning on working with Mr. Skinner with MDC to obtain some available grants to get a new tree inventory and work on creating a plan on maintaining and consistently adding new trees in the parks moving forward.

4. Staff Reports

5. Other Business

Mr. Skinner mentioned that the Emerald Ash Borer has been confirmed in Jasper County.

6. Adjournment