



City of Carthage, Missouri

TREE BOARD

January 6, 2026 - 4:30 PM
Parks & Recreation Office
521 Robert Ellis Young Drive
Carthage, MO 64836

MINUTES

1. Old Business

1. Approval of previous minutes.

Mr. Kline made a motion to approve minutes from the previous meeting. The motion passed.

ACTION: Motion to accept/approve item 1.1. by Zachary Kline;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Noah Smith, Brandon Scott, Bryan Stringer, Zachary Kline,
Jory Mertens

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Citizens Participation

(Citizens wishing to address the Board should notify the City in advance and provide the item they want to address in written format at least 24 hours before the meeting. Please call the Parks & Recreation office at 417-237-7035.)

3. New Business

1. Consider and discuss Grand Street tree project.

Mr. Smith reiterated that the purchase of eight trees for \$1,000 was approved at the previous meeting. He stated that he could pick up the trees on a Saturday from the nursery near Grove, Oklahoma. Mr. Bonine advised that this would be acceptable provided advance notice is given so that a check can be prepared prior to pickup. Mr. Stringer stated that six of the eight trees have been designated for planting along Grand Street, and that he is still in the process of speaking with homeowners along that route. Mr. Smith added that he could pick up the trees on a Saturday morning, with planting to occur either the same day or the following week. No action taken.

2. Consider and discuss Arbor Day 2026.

Mr. Smith stated that Arbor Day is set for April 18th from 10 am-2 pm this year at Central Park. No action taken.

4. Staff Reports

Mr. Bonine reported the ash tree removal at the golf course will begin on January 19th and that the wood chips will be stored for later use at the Parks Department.

5. Other Business

6. Adjournment

Mr. Scott made a motion to adjourn. The motion passed.

ACTION: Motion to adjourn by Brandon Scott;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Noah Smith, Brandon Scott, Bryan Stringer, Zachary Kline, Jory
Mertens

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None