



TREE BOARD AGENDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CENTERVILLE TREE BOARD WILL HOLD A REGULAR MEETING AT 8:00 PM ON OCTOBER 19, 2022 AT CENTERVILLE CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM, 250 NORTH MAIN STREET, CENTERVILLE, UTAH.

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A. ROLL CALL

B. BUSINESS ITEMS

Business action or discussion items to be considered.

1. Review of Work Session with City Council
2. Water Shortage Considerations
3. Year-End Review

C. MINUTES

Minutes of prior meetings may be reviewed and accepted. Minutes review and approval shall comply with the Centerville City Minutes Approval Policy.

1. Minutes Review and Approval
August 31, 2022 Minutes

D. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

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**Jennifer Robison
Centerville City Recorder**

Minutes of the Centerville City Tree Board meeting held Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at 8:00 p.m., in the Centerville City Hall Conference Room, 250 North Main Street, Centerville, Utah.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joy Chambers
Grant Chavez
Martin Dorrance
Gary Smith
Gary Woodward, Chair
Scott Zeidler

STAFF PRESENT

Bill Ince, City Council Liaison
Michael Higgins, Parks & Recreation Supervisor
Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

Anne Linton as resigned as a member of the Tree Board, and she was serving as vice chair. Martin Dorrance was appointed as vice chair of the Tree Board.

WORK SESSION WITH THE CITY COUNCIL

The work session with the City Council will be held on September 20th between 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. There will be other groups meeting with the City Council, and it is not known the exact time the Tree Board will meet with the Council.

Park Strip Recommendations

Gary Woodward reported he talked with Lisa Romney, City Attorney, on the Park Strip Code. Mr. Woodward distributed a copy of Ms. Romney's recommendations, and the Tree Board discussed the recommendations. These recommendations have not been given to the City Council at this time. The recommendations are to have no trees in park strips, because most park strips in Centerville are too narrow for trees. In previous meetings, the Tree Board discussed trees that adapt to Centerville's climate, but there are no recommended trees for park strips. If there are trees that are already planted in the public right-of-way, they can be subject to removal if they are deemed a hazard by the city.

Vouchers for removed park strip trees

The Tree Board agreed to present to the Tree Board the idea if a tree is removed from a park strip because it is deemed a hazard, the property owner would be given a voucher for a new tree to be planted in the yard a certain distance from the sidewalk. The vouchers demonstrate stewardship for a new crop of trees in a different place. Joy Chambers said she approves of the vouchers, but she is concerned trees could be removed when they don't need to be, and would they be replaced. Grant Chavez said consideration must be taken into account if the trees are damaging utilities. Bill Ince, City Council Liaison, said water, gas and sewer lines are all affected by tree roots that can puncture utility lines.

The biggest motivation to remove the trees from the park strips is the damage caused by a raised sidewalk, and if a person should trip and fall on a raised sidewalk. Grant Chavez said Rocky Mountain Power will pay homeowners if a tree needs to be removed. Bill Ince reported there are 3,800 trees in Centerville that need to be removed because they are causing sidewalk lifts. Gary Woodward suggested an independent contractor be hired to remove the trees, but Bill Ince said there is not always a clear definition on how trees should be removed. He gave the example of the area at 800 North and Frontage Road when a contractor was hired to clean-up the water, and they removed the trees in the pond. The neighbors were upset the trees were removed, as the trees provided shade for the homes. Bill Ince suggested expanding the voucher conversation by having the homeowner take out their own trees, and the city would give the homeowner a tree voucher. He suggested the mayor could give the Tree Board space in the city newsletter to write an article on when a tree is planted by a homeowner, that they understand the expense and liability that comes with trees.

Scott Zeidler explained Washington County is trying to offer trees that are water conserving. The County provides information on pruning and water guidelines, and the voucher program could provide water guidelines, and give exposure to the Tree Board. Some cities will buy bulk trees, and citizens can purchase trees at a discount. Certain types of trees that are resistant to the severe climate could be purchased.

Guidance on "Flip the Strip"

This item will be discussed at a future meeting.

TREES OF THE MONTH FOR REMAINDER OF 2022

Assignments were given for Trees of the Month as follows:

September: Joy Chambers, Zelkova

October: Anne Linton, Calumny Oak

November: Scott Zeidler, Incense Cedar

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Minutes of the May 18, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Chair Gary Woodward made a **motion** to approve the minutes as written. Grant Chavez seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (6-0).

NEXT MEETING

The Board agreed the work session with the City Council on September 20th, will be the September meeting. The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, October 19th at 8:00 p.m. at City Hall.

ADJOURN

At 9:20 p.m., Gary Smith made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting. Joy Chambers seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (6-0).

Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

Date Approved

Connie Larson, Recording Secretary