

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
URBAN FORESTRY COUNCIL
CITY OF WASHINGTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY, MISSOURI
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016**

A meeting of the Urban Forestry Council took place on Wednesday, March 16, 2016. Those in attendance included Chair Mike Smith, Committee Members Tom Johnson, April Murdoch, Josh Kresse, and Jim Jackson; Parks liaison Josh Wargo, Parks Horticulturalist/Arborist; and guest Sharon Jones and Nick Jones. Members not present include John Steffens, Franz Mayer and Bill Davit.

Agenda Item #1: Call Meeting To Order – Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Agenda Item #2: Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item #3: Approval of Minutes

Agenda Item #4: Communications – Chairperson Smith introduced new committee member Tom Johnson.

Agenda Item #5: Parks Report – Mr. Wargo reported the following:

- a. Tree Trimming and Removal –Staff started clearing scrub trees on the West end of the Riverfront Park.
- b. Communitree Grant –He is still waiting to hear back on the Communitree Grant.
- c. Hwy 100 Medians – Crews should be out the medians next week to cut down the grasses.
- d. Miller-Post – Crews began cutting in trails.
- e. Heritage Transportation Park – Working with Master Gardeners on the possible re-landscaping of the area.

Agenda Item #6: Council Report – None.

Agenda Item #7: Old Business

- a) Plant an Oak Tree Campaign –
 - Chairman Smith reported that the committee would be having a booth at the Earth Day/Arbor Day Event to hand out literature and educate the public on urban forestry efforts etc.

- Passed around flyer that was placed in the water bill to promote Earth Day/Arbor Day.

- b) Water Tower Scout Project – Discussion took place in regards to the appropriate size of the tree identification tags. It was decided that they should go with the 1 7/8 x 3 ¼ tag with a bar code.

Agenda Item #8: New Business

- a. New Projects – Chairperson Smith reported that he would like to see the committee take on a planting project. Possible locations could include Miller-Post, Phoenix, or Burger Parks.

Agenda Item #9: Next Meeting – April 20, 2016

Agenda Item #10: Adjournment

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