

Tree Commission Meeting
March 10, 2025
7:30-9:00 pm

Attendees: Judy Alba, Andy Doyle, MaryLee Haughwout, Jackie Sabath, Lester Scheuermann, Barry Stahl, Victor Rivas
Facilitator: MaryLee Haughwout
Minutes: Barry Stahl

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Action items in bold

1. Introductions were skipped as there were no visitors.
2. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved with no changes.
3. Pruning update - Gabe emailed that many of the Tree Commissioners, and some other City residents, had been out pruning throughout the winter. Completed streets were indicated on a map that he produced.
4. Communications - Gabe wrote an article which was published in the Message last month. Jackie agreed to send future meeting agendas to Pink.
5. Tree inventory - Lester reported that the City has agreed to provide the Tree Commission with a new laptop and software. He plans to update tree diameters in AUTI and would welcome help with this. Lester pointed out the difficulties in counting non-City trees, keeping the count current, and staying within the system capacity; it was agreed to keep these trees in the inventory for now and update when capacity.
6. City updates - Rocio/Victor (15 min)
 - a. Update on Bartlett and Pepco tree work- Work has been scheduled to begin in February.
 - b. Tree City USA Certification and follow up on 22 Year Sticker for Tree City USA signs. Victor reported that Rocio filed for certification in December.
 - c. City plats where no sidewalks - how to move forward. Victor agreed to look into the sidewalk question and also alleys.
7. Follow up on action items:
 - a. Tree hanger on code - We are still awaiting approval on door hangers from the City Manager.

b. Water Truck repairs - The City has continually promised prompt repair of the water truck. However, the watering season is approaching and this action has yet to be taken. MaryLee will follow up.

c. Gator bags needed - Andy agreed to take a count.

Judy pointed out the need for deer protection particularly on the crabapples in Edgemount Park; Victor will check the shop to see if there is any on hand.

d. Greenworks street trees - No update.

8. Joe's Greenworks 2025 - We have a new agreement for fall planting. MaryLee has a list of several locations where trees are needed.

9. City elections - With the election of new councilmembers, the TC will have a new liaison with Mayor/Council to replace Luke Chesek.

10. Next meeting date is set for Monday, May 12 from 7:30-9:00.