

Tree Commission Meeting  
February 13, 2006  
City Hall  
City of Galesburg

Meeting was called to order by Member Trant 4:05 P.M.

Roll Call: Present Members: Gorham, Trant, Ralston, Arborist Johnson and Director Cox.

Absent: Members Allen and Johnson who made prior notification.

Also present: Mike Price w/AmerenIP.

Minutes of the January Meeting were approved viva voce with one change - Katura tree should be Catsura tree.

Arborist Report:

- ≡ Forestry Report for December 2005 and January 2006 were distributed and received.
- ≡ Forestry Division will work w/AmerenIP removal of trees, there will be fourteen (14) trees removed w/ the Power Company.
- ≡ Equipment is being moved in to begin grinding of wood waste, by Mid-West Bio Company.
- ≡ Several employees will attend chain saw and rope safety training.
- ≡ New Arboricultural Specifications Manual was distributed.

Old Business:

- ≡ Establishing the Prairie Fire Crab Apple Tree as the official City Tree will be considered in the near future. A description of the Prairie Fire and background deliberation and discussion will be provided to the City Council.
- ≡ Plans for the tree nursery are being prepared.

New Business:

- ≅ Member Gorham asked if we have information on the trees given away last Arbor Day. The Arborist will investigate.
- ≅ Arbor Day Celebration topics were discussed. This will be discussed at the next meeting.
- ≅ Mike Price reported there will be minimal trimming in Galesburg in 2006.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

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Larry Cox, Director of Public Works