



Tree Commission Meeting
June 9, 2008
City Hall
City of Galesburg

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Lyle Johnson @ 4:00 P.M.

Roll Call:

Present: Members Johnson, Trant, Ralston, Allen, Gorham, Arborist Johnson, and Kitlyn Rescinito, Public Works.

Absent: Larry Cox, who was on vacation.

Minutes of the April 14, 2008 meeting were approved.

Arborist Report:

The Monthly Forestry Report was distributed and accepted.

- Forestry has been trimming hangers and removed 81 stumps.
- Replaced four (4) trees at Jason Wessels Park.
- We budgeted ten (10) trees to replace a year. The amount of trees may be increased by AmerenIP in the future.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- ≡ Millie Allen asked about clean up of trees under utility lines by AmerenIP
- ≡ Gary stated that AmerenIP currently does not clean up the limbs, but he will check and report back.
- ≡ Pat Trant asked about the storm damage. There was damage to trees on S. West Street and Third Street, Division at Grand, 900 Brown, 200 block of Academy and the 200 block of Chambers.
- ≡ Judy Gorham would like to identify areas and city blocks where trees have been removed in excess due to storm damage.

- ≅ Arborist Johnson and Roy w/State Dept. set EAB traps around town including the entrance area at the Oversize Brush Drop-Off Facility. The EAB is in LaSalle, IL.
- ≅ Pickard Road Oversize Brush Drop Off Facility will be closed the month of July for brush grinding. The information is posted on the City's website and also on Channel 7.
- ≅ The City will be sending out letters to homeowners who lost a tree NOT under a power line in last year's wind storm offering them a free tree such as Cathedral Elm or Autumn Flame.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:25 P.M.

Kitlyn Rescinito, Public Works