



Tree Commission Meeting  
April 13, 2009  
City Hall  
City of Galesburg

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

Roll Call: Present: Members Dick Ralston, Millie Allen, Pat Trant, City Arborist Gary Johnson and Public Works Secretary Kitlyn Rescinito.

Also Present: Dan Thompson, resident.

Absent: Lyle Johnson, Judy Gorham and Public Works Director Larry Cox who was on vacation.

Minutes of the March 9, 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved.

#### Arborist Report:

The Monthly Forestry Report was distributed, reviewed and accepted.

#### Old Business:

Gary stated the plans for the Arbor Day planting had changed. A Liberty Elm tree will be planted at Lincoln Park across from the Veterans Memorial. The tree was donated. Also, a bench and fencing around the tree will be put up.

Gary stated the hours for the Oversize Brush Drop Off site needed to be updated on the City of Galesburg website. Sue Davidson, PIO officer will be notified of the new hours.

#### New Business:

AmerenIP did receive complaints about the brush trimmings left behind from their tree trimming contractor. They cleaned up the branches.

Gary stated the hydraulic truck has been repaired and they are 2 months behind on tree work. Street Division will be helping them out with this.

The EAB is being found in surrounding counties.

Mr. Dan Thompson stated he would like to see Elm trees planted before the infestation is documented. He asked how to order new Elm trees.

Pat Trant asked about the funds in the budget for tree replacements. Gary stated there were funds in the budget for that.

Pat asked about the Memorial Tree locations and type that are available.

Pat would like a listing at the next meeting showing the available locations.

Dan Thompson said the Catalpa tree located on S. Chambers was the largest in the state. He will be bringing more information to the Tree Commission at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

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Kitlyn Rescinito, Public Works Department