

**CITY OF LAKE SAINT LOUIS
TREE BOARD MINUTES**

May 19, 2020

5:30 P.M.

Via Zoom

To educate the Lake Saint Louis community on the importance of trees”

I. Call to Order: 5:35 p.m.

II. Roll Call Present Absent

Joe Mulitsch X _____

Roy Zirges X _____

Diane Arisman X _____

Carol Lynch X _____

Ken Spoden X _____

Also in Attendance: Darren Nolken, Director of Parks and Recreation
Gary Tolina, Aldermen Ward 1
Jacob McMains, Arborist Consultants with Davey's
Resource Group

Additions to the Agenda: Staff received a request from a Homeowner on Normandy to remove a landmark Tree because homeowner slipped on acorns and dislocated her shoulder. Also mentioned tree is causing driveway damage, although no damage was observed.

III. Agenda

Public Comment None

Approve minutes of the January 22, 2020 meeting: Carol motioned and Diane seconded. Motion passed minutes approved.

IV. Staff Report

A. Request to remove a Landmark tree – It was decided the Landmark Tree ordinance needs further clarification regarding property damage or personal

safety compromised. Does a natural occurrence of a tree constitute personal safety being compromised, or is the intent of the tree ordinance to only allow removals for trees that are in decline. This would have a wider range of removal allowances, as requests for gumball tree removals, or similar, would be included. Wentzville, O'Fallon, St. Peters, St Charles County, and St. Charles City were contacted for research purposes, and none have similar codes for reference.

- B.** Based on Board discussion Staff will allow for this particular request for removal, and asked to provide further research for discussion at our June meeting.

At the next meeting the Board will discuss changes to the Landmark Tree ordinance for input to the Board of Alderman.

- C.** Update on Duello/Deer Ridge Nature Park – Staff presented 1st draft of educational materials to be placed throughout the new nature park. Tree Board indicated we were on the right track, and further development will be made to the educational pieces to share at our June meeting. Staff also mentioned a walk through photo presentation will be emailed to the Tree Board which will give an overview of the trail system and how the educational materials will fit into the overall scope of the new nature park.

V. Adjourn

Diane motioned to adjourn, Ken seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm