

**Manchester Tree Advisory Board**  
**MINUTES**

April 1, 2019  
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Location: Manchester Police Department, 200 Highlands Blvd Dr, Manchester, MO 63011

Attendance:

Mike Stemmler - Board Chair (2020)  
Bob Ruck, Director of Public Works  
Stephanie Hardesty, Parks Department  
Nancy Miller (2022)  
Jane Sharp - Board Member (2021)  
Mayor Mike Clement  
Alderman Megan Huether

Absent:

Meridith Perkins, Davey Resource Group

1. **Call to Order** - 5:33pm
2. **Approval of Minutes** - February 4, 2019 minutes approved
3. **Business**
  - Review of Tree Ordinance Packet; edit requests will be provided to Meridith Perkins. Updated Tree Packet will be approved at the July meeting.
  - IT staff will set up [treeboard@manchestermo.gov](mailto:treeboard@manchestermo.gov) for resident inquiries; Nancy will be the primary board member to monitor this account. Emails will also be forwarded to Bob Ruck and Meridith Perkins.
4. **Updates**
  - Tree City USA recognition awarded to the City; Mayor Clement will recognize the Tree Board members and read the 2019 Arbor Day Proclamation at this evening's Board of Alderman Meeting.
  - Manchester Arbor Day to be held on April 13; in addition to the seedling giveaway, Mayor Clement will host the planting of a ceremonial tree. Tree Advisory Board will help coordinate the plaque location.
5. **Discussion**
  - Citizen outreach
    - i. Develop a Tree Advisory Board presence on the city's website
    - ii. Highlight Tree Packet on website
    - iii. Get Tree Packet complete then consider an outreach brochure
  - 2019 TRIM Grant Application
    - i. City proposal includes removal and replacement of Bradford pear trees.
    - ii. Board feedback/ideas were requested.

- Composter Project – Alderman Huether
  - i. The City is moving forward with a St. Louis County grant partnership for the sale of compost bins to residents.
  - ii. Revenue generated through this program would be deposited in the Tree Fund for Tree Advisory Board projects.
- Emerald Ash Borer Update
  - i. Insect is present throughout the region
  - ii. Treatment is an option for keeping good quality ash trees

**6. Adjournment - 6:44pm**