

*“There is not a village in America, however badly planned at first, or ill-built afterwards, that may not be redeemed, in a great measure, by the aid of shade trees in the streets ... and it is never too late or too early to project improvements of this kind.”*

Andrew Jackson Downing (1815-1852)

***AGENDA***  
**CITY OF PORTSMOUTH**  
**TREES AND PUBLIC GREENERY COMMITTEE**  
**8:00 AM – Wednesday, August 9, 2023**  
**City Hall Conference Room A**

Or register in advance to attend via Zoom:

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Once registered you will receive the meeting link and password.

1. Acceptance of Minutes of July meeting. (attached)
2. Tree Removal Requests.
  - **South Mill Playground**: 1 red oak, fair condition. The tree suffered a large limb failure in spring 2020 and has had difficulty compartmentalizing the wound. There is a large cavity present.
  - **Hall Cemetery**: 2 Norway maple, removal recommended by City. These two trees were not identified in the initial posting for the cemetery project. These removals will allow for better access.
  - **Portsmouth Senior Activity Center**: 10+ ash, EAB related, removal recommended by City. There are many ash trees lining the parking lot of the Senior Activity Center in various stages of decline from EAB. (Look for a yellow barricade with the removal notice, then look above the fence.)
  - **235 Union St**: 1 ash, EAB related, removal recommended by City. (There are new sewer pieces on the road in front of this tree.)
  - **209 Lafayette Rd**: 1 Norway maple, poor condition, removal recommended by City.
  - **599 Middle St**: 1 ash, EAB related, removal recommended by City.
  - **729 Middle St**: 1 Norway maple, poor condition, removal recommended by City.
  - **761 South St**: 1 Norway maple, poor condition, removal recommended by City.
  - **560 Lincoln Ave**: 1 ash, EAB related, removal recommended by City.
  - **377 Thornton St**: 3 ash, EAB related, removal recommended by City.
  - **Hanover Garage near High St**: 4 yew, poor—fair condition, removal recommended by City. Construction has prompted these removal requests.
  - **Pleasant St + Porter St**: 1 linden, poor condition, removal recommended by City. The tree has been in a state of decline, and a recent limb failure has prompted this removal request.
  - **Near 673 Woodbury Ave**: 1 ash, EAB related, removal recommended by City.
  - **Near 865 Woodbury Ave**: 1 ash, EAB related, recommended by City.
  - **880 Woodbury Ave**: 1 Norway maple, poor condition, removal recommended by City. The tree has trunk and basal wounds and a declining canopy.

- **Community Campus near the greenhouse and playground**: 4 hemlock, poor—fair condition, removal recommended by City. These trees are in a state of decline and have been impacting the ventilation units nearby.
3. Update of Tree Planting for the City's 400<sup>th</sup>
  4. Michael Griffin's South Cemetery tree planting and blue bird housing projects
  5. Old Business
  6. New Business

Next Meeting Wednesday September 13, 2023

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter J. Loughlin, Chair

Attachment: July 2023 Minutes