

“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, October 11, 2023

Or register in advance to attend via Zoom:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ZQsXYV1OR4uBlQxOgNojog

Once registered you will receive the meeting link and password.

1. Acceptance of Minutes of September meeting
2. Tree Removal Requests:
 - **337 Richards Ave there is a Swamp white oak that the homeowner is requesting to remove as it will allow for construction of a driveway on Richards Ave.**
 - **Greenleaf Ave at Pevery Hill Rd:** 3 ash, poor condition, in various stages of decline. There are clear signs of EAB present. The healthiest looking tree has a severe lean and a basal cavity.
 - **Hillside Dr at Greenleaf Ave:** 1 Silver maple, fair condition. This tree is causing a line-of-site issue, and no pruning is advisable as the main stems of the tree are what’s causing the issue. Residents are concerned as the vehicles that use the road come off Lafayette and the bypass very quickly. Some structural defects exist.
 - **88 Lincoln Ave:** 1 Silver maple, fair condition. Recent storm damage has prompted this removal request. This large tree has some structural issues, such as fruiting bodies from a burl and large areas of included bark. The presence of water sprouts suggests stress, and there is a history of root damage as well as reduction pruning.
 - **33 Miller Ave:** 1 ash, poor condition, in decline. There are clear signs of EAB present.
 - **41 Wibird St:** 1 ash, poor condition, in decline. There are clear signs of EAB present.
 - **99 Willard St:** 1 apple, poor condition.
 - **Wibird St at Orchard St:** 1 chestnut, poor condition. This tree has a large cavity on one side of the trunk, and a large fruiting body out of an old wound on the other.
 - **99 Broad St:** 1 pear, poor condition. A leader recently failed out of this tree and should be removed given the species and current condition.
 - **Police Department (behind City Hall from Mt Vernon St):** 1 crabapple, 2 arborvitae, fair condition. These trees are posing safety concerns as they have blocked, and will continue to block, security camera

- clearance unless removed. This is critical as the cameras are used to monitor vehicles and evidence storage areas; 1 Norway maple, poor condition, near parking on right hand side (pink ribbon).

PANNAWAY MANOR SIDEWALK PHASE 2

- 26 Decatur Rd: 1 Norway maple, poor condition.
- 107 Colonial Dr: Norway maple
- 12 Whipple Ct: Norway maple
- 9 Whipple Ct: Norway maple
- 283 Decatur Rd: Norway maple
- 15 Mason Ave: Red maple
- 10 Mason Ave: Norway maple

WILLARD AVE SEWER SEPARATION PROJECT (see attachment):

- 228 Willard Ave: 1 Norway maple
 - 111 Willard Ave: 1 Norway maple
 - 176 Willard Ave: 1 lilac
 - 179 Willard Ave: 6 Norway maple, portion of rhododendron (pink flagging)
 - 91 Orchard St: 1 zelkova
 - 62 Orchard St: 2 Red maple
3. Update of Tree Planting for the City's 400th and 401st
 4. Old Business
 5. New Business

Next Meeting Wednesday November 8, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter J. Loughlin, Chair

Attachments: September 2023 Minutes, Pannaway Manor and Willard Ave. tree removal requests