

City of Charlevoix
Shade Tree & Parks Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 8, 2024 - 10:00 AM

2nd Floor Conference Room, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Hodgson called the meeting to order at 10am.

Chair:	Perry Irish Hodgson
Members Present:	Megan Cassada, David Levy, Jennifer Muladore
Members Absent	David Bertinelli
Staff:	Mark L. Heydlauff, City Manager; Pat Elliott, Public Works Superintendent

2. Approve Minutes of May 9, 2024

A. May 9, 2024

The board reviewed the minutes from May 9.

Motion by Muladore, second by Cassada to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

3. Old Business

A. Ferry Beach Stormwater/Wetland Area

B. Michigan Beach Park Trimming and Pruning

C. Arbor Day Designation 2024

Chair Hodgson reviewed the Arbor Day Coloring Contest designation and the positive feelings it created.

D. City Council Public Comments

Chair Hodgson also discussed a comment at City Council from a resident who complained that there are too many trees in the City and that it caused too much expense for property owners.

4. New Business

A. Scheduled Tree Removals

B. Pine River Lane Trees

C. 2024 Tree Planting

The board reviewed the 2024 plantings including homeowner requests, and continued planting along Belvedere Avenue.

Motion by Levy, second by Muladore to approve the 2024 Tree Planting Location and Specie list for preparation for bidding.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Elliott updated the Commission on some study of the prospect of draining stormwater through a wetland area on the north side of Ferry Beach Park. He is working further with Edgewater Resources on this.

The Commission reviewed the trimming and pruning at Michigan Beach Park on Park Avenue and also discussed the positive impact of the goats who are working there now.

Mr. Elliott discussed the need to remove a maple tree on the eastern edge of Veteran's Park; the maple will be removed. He also discussed a plan to prune and trim the locust trees downtown this fall.

At 10:45am, Ms. Cassada and Mr. Levy left the meeting.

5. Public Comment

The floor was opened for public comment. None were heard.

6. Adjourn

Chair Hodgson adjourned the meeting at 10:48am.