Approved

CITY TREE BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, February 3, 2026
5:00 PM
Athletic Complex
3301 West 1st
Joplin, MO 64801

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Kristi Brown, Robert Dopp, Harvey Hutchinson, Tom Robertson, Matthew Livingston
ABSENT:	Dr. Mark Farnham, City Council Liaison
GUESTS:	Greg Bertoncino Paul Bloomberg
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:	Robert Dopp called the regular meeting to order.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	Robert Dopp made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Matthew Livingston.
OLD BUSINESS:	Paul mentioned to the board that the Downtown Tree Replacement Project is complete. He also let the board know that the two-year watering contract with Simpson Lawn Care is up.
NEW BUSINESS:	Paul told the board that we need to vote on new officers. After discussion Harvey made a motion that Robert – Chair Harvey – Vice Chair Kristy – Secretary 2nd by Matthew, all yea. Paul said that the Arbor Day Celebration will be held at Wildcat Park on Saturday, April 11 from 10:00am – 2:00pm. There will be Live Music, Food, and Giveaways. He also let the board know that we did get the Tree City USA grant submitted. This will be our 16th year

being Tree City USA. This will help with pruning, mulching, planting and will inventory more trees.

Paul updated the board on the MDC Grant. He told the board that the city on-call arborist Outer Oaks has been getting a lot of the project complete. She has been removing trees and pruning in the Cemeteries. We did the clean up of the tree removal and pruning in house to save on some of the cost. We will work on tree planting come springtime. We will also apply for another part of this grant in July.

He mentioned that an RFP will be going to for tree removal at the Grand Falls Trail and Overlook. There are bats in the tree and the tree must be down by March 31. We have been working with Olsson and MDC on this.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS: None

ADJOURNEMENT: Kristi Brown made a motion to adjourn, second by Harvey Hutchinson.

Nakia Endicott, Accounting Specialist

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