

**Shade Tree Committee**  
**8-1-19**

Present: Cathy Olson, Paula Bourcy, Terry Thompson, Jim Moe, Cory Meyer, Cary Eriksson, Tammy Meyer.

Cathy called the meeting to order. Cary made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paula. Carried.

Staff report: a different crew worked this year and they will be done on Friday. There was work completed on trimming trees in the alleys. The street department will start more trimming on Monday. The temporary street staff cutting trees will get paid the same wages as the Shade Tree staff.

Three trees were cut and there are 12-15 left to cut. That work is planned for the fall.

Terry asked is there were many elm trees left and Cory told him there are about 50 left on the boulevards.

There are not a lot of stumps to grind, so instead of calling for bids, they will just hire Angry Beaver to take care of the ones that need grinding.

There are still lots of tree vouchers left – about 15 have been handed out so far.

Paula suggested having an article in the newspaper about the availability of tree vouchers.

Terry asked if the trees cut on the boulevards are replaced as soon as they have been cut.

Cory said it seems like trees planted by the City don't seem to be taken care of by the adjacent property owners and that's why the tree voucher system was started. People are more likely to take care of trees if they have some of their own money invested in the trees.

Jim said the only real changes to the upcoming budget is increasing the line item for tools and equipment.

Tammy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cary. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Carlson  
Recording Secretary