Minutes of the Centerville City Tree Board meeting held Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. in the Centerville City Hall Administrative Conference Room, 250 North Main Street, Centerville, Utah.

MEMBERS PRESENT
Joy Chambers, Chair
Brooke Holman, arrived at 8:15 p.m.
Gary Smith
Gary Woodward
Scott Zeidler

MEMBERS ABSENT
Jennifer Beckstrand
Anne Linton

STAFF PRESENT
Mayor Clark Wilkinson
Michael Higgins, Parks and Recreation Supervisor
Mackenzie Wood, Assistant City Planner

VISITORS
Kent Larson, Centerville Commons HOA
David Jones, Centerville Commons HOA

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL
Minutes of the July 17, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Gary Woodward made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Gary Smith seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (4-0).

FINALIZE APPROVED TREE LIST
Gary Smith reported he emailed a PDF list to each Board member of the finalized approved tree list. Mr. Smith reported he changed some of the crabapple tree varieties and added other varieties; as was discussed in the previous meeting. He suggested the trees for large park strips remain on the list as a reference.

Chair Joy Chambers explained the Tree Ordinance states the park strips are four to five feet in width. Most of the trees that are in the current Ordinance will remain. A few of the trees were removed, and a few trees were added.

KENT LARSON AND DAVID JONES (CENTERVILLE COMMONS)
Kent Larson and David Jones from the Centerville Commons HOA asked what the effective date of the Ordinance was when the four-foot park strip was adopted.
The Main Street park strip around the Centerville Commons is narrower than the park strip on Pages Lane. He said there are flowering pear trees in the park strips along Main Street and Pages Lane, and he feels the Centerville Commons is in compliance. Chair Joy Chambers explained the flowering pear trees were already planted in the park strips before the Ordinance was adopted, so they are grandfathered into compliance but, if a tree must be removed, then a flowering pear tree cannot be planted in the same spot. Mr. Larson explained the Commons is required to have 296 trees in the development. He asked when a tree is removed, could it be planted someplace else in the development. Chair Joy Chambers replied this question would need to be answered through the County.

Mr. Larson reported there is a problem with fire blight in the Commons area, and seven trees have been removed. Six of the trees are in front yards of homes, and one was in the parking strip on Pages Lane. An arborist suggested the trees should be removed, which was done. Mr. Larson would like to give the residents a half dozen trees that can be planted to replace the lost trees to keep the continuity of the development. Mr. Larson and Mr. Jones would like a list of trees that would work well in the Centerville Commons development.

Mayor Clark Wilkinson explained $100,000 was allocated last year to repair sidewalks where trees have raised the sidewalk. There has been discussion at the City Council level if trees should be required to be removed where the roots are raising the sidewalk. It was decided that trees that are dead will be removed, and the City will be responsible to replace the sidewalk. Live trees will not be required to be removed. Brooke Holman asked if the Tree Board should address the issue of trees in parking strips that are causing problems. Mayor Wilkinson replied he would welcome suggestions. Scott Zeidler said if the Tree Board makes recommendations if a tree should or should not be removed, care must be taken to prevent a negative outcome.

**DISCUSSION OF TREE ORDINANCE**

Gary Smith said the Tree Board will need to review the list to see if there are any trees that should be removed. Mr. Smith will add a list of 4 to 8-foot trees that can be allowed in park strips. The Board discussed allowing flowering fruit trees in park strips, such as crabapple, flowering pear, and thunder cloud plum trees, as they are messy. Gary Smith said he mentioned in his report that persistent trees are included on his list, as the birds will eat the fruit.

Brooke Holman made a **motion to approve the list with the amendments discussed. Gary Woodward seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (5-0).**

**NEXT MEETING**

The next Tree Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Gary Smith made a **motion to approve the time change of future Tree Board meetings to 8:00 p.m. Brooke Holman seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (5-0).**
ADJOURN

At 9:01 p.m., Joy Chambers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brooke Holman seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

Leah Romero, City Recorder

Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

October 23, 2019
Date Approved