

**Minutes  
Sustainability & Natural Resources  
Committee Meeting  
September 9, 2024**

**Members Present:** Miguel Pena, Alisa Leamy, Angela Freedman, Nina Schultz, Judy Taber

**Members Absent:** Michael Allen

**Staff Present:** Lee Igl, Public Works Director; Sayer Larson, Parks Superintendent;  
Kong Thao, Associate Planner; Phil McDade, utility clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Pena called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

No public appearances.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

a. **Motion to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2024, Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee meeting.**

Pena motioned to amend the minutes to reflect Angela Freedman's attendance at the July 8 meeting, although the meeting was held in a room that did not support Zoom technology and thus Freedman could not actively participate remotely in the meeting. Seconded by Leamy. Motion carried 5-0. Pena motioned to approve the amended minutes. Leamy seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

4. BUSINESS.

a. **Discussion and action regarding the 2024 street and park tree planting plan and authorize a request for proposal (RFP).**

Larson discussed the village tree planting program for 2024. Most plantings will focus on Exchange Street. Because the reconstruction of Exchange Street in 2024 involved cutting down several trees, the village plans to restock its trees on the street. The plantings include a diverse mix of mostly native trees, and will include a total of 65 trees along the Exchange Street corridor between Farwell Street and Sleepy Hollow Drive. A total of 15 additional trees will be planted in McDaniel Park, Orchard Hill Disc Golf Course, and various locations throughout the village to replace village-owned trees that have failed in the past year. Funds of up to \$30,000 have been allocated in the village Capital Projects Fund for 2024 tree planting. Motion by Pena, seconded by Leamy, to recommend to the Village Board the 2024 street and park tree planting plan and authorize a request for proposal (RFP).

Motion carried 5-0.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

- a. Monday, October 15, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Leamy motioned to adjourn; Schultz seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.