



**Town of Edenton
TREE COMMITTEE
September 18, 2023
3:30 p.m.
Town Council Chambers**

The Edenton Tree Committee met in regular session on Monday, September 18, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. The following members were present: Chairman John Morehead, Ellen Colodney, April Lane, Flint Harding, William Ahearn, and Susan Inglis. Also present was Assistant Town Manager Dewayne Whealton, Landscape Supervisor Tosh Towe, North Carolina Forest Ranger Anthony DeSocio.

Mr. Morehead called the meeting to order. The August minutes were reviewed and approved by consensus.

Mr. Morehead would like to discuss the tree bridges.

Ms. Colodney would like to discuss a pecan tree in the historic district.

Mr. Harding would like to discuss the pear tree on Water Street.

Mr. Morehead would like to hear old business first. He asks Mr. Whealton for old business.

Mr. Whealton states that he shared with the committee about a tree in the right-of-way at 205 S. Granville Street and the concern of the neighbors dropping limbs. He stated that the committee wanted Ranger DeSocio to look at the tree to decide the status of the tree.

Ranger DeSocio states that the tree is not dead but needs trimming.

Mr. Towe agreed with the assessment and stated that he could take care of the trimming.

Mr. Towe discusses the pear trees on Water and Broad Streets and states that they many have reached their limit.

The committee discusses the removal of the pear trees.

The consensus of the committee is to have Tosh identify 1-3 trees that need to be removed and the committee to come up with replacements.

Mr. Morehead moves on to the next item under old business, Tree Brochure.

Mr. Ahearn talks about next steps for the brochure and presenting it to town council.

Mr. Morehead moves on to the next item on the agenda under new business, Landscaping at the corner of S. Granville Street and W. Water Street.

Mr. Whealton states that at the last meeting, the tree committee asks for it to be put on the agenda for discussion.

Ms. Inglis gives an update on the landscaping and states that she is in favor of leaving the area open.

Mr. Burgher (via Zoom) states that he is in favor of leaving it open and would like to be involved on any discussion for landscaping.

The tree committee discusses the landscaping.

It is the consensus of the tree committee to presently not take any action on the landscaping.

Mr. Morehead moves on to the next item on the agenda, Tree Walk Brochure.

The committee discusses updating the Tree Walk Brochure.

The consensus of the committee is to walk the tree walk and discuss at the next meeting.

Mr. Morehead moves onto the next item on the agenda, Educational Component.

Ranger Anthony DeSocio discusses the State Nursery and how they can provide a number of native trees and trees.

The tree committee discusses the tree bridges.

Ms. Colodney asks Ranger DeSocio about a pecan tree on E. Eden Street.

Mr. Morehead ask for anything else to be considered. Hearing none, meeting adjourned.