

**SHADE TREE AND BEAUTIFICATION BOARD  
OF CITY OF ST. GEORGE  
REGULAR MEETING  
August 21, 2025, 12:00 P.M.  
MILLCREEK PARKS OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM**

**Present:**

**Deputy Director/Urban Forester Ben Neumann  
Board Member Gil Almquist  
Board Member Bonnie Pendleton  
Board Member/Councilmember Steve Kemp  
Secretary Rachel Hurd  
Parks Manager Todd Steed  
Civil Attorney Daniel Baldwin  
Planner Carol Winner  
Doug Cannon Applicant  
Rudy Odorizzi Applicant  
Board Member John Sorenson  
Board Member Conn Wood**

**Excused:**

**Arborist Clifton Christensen**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Deputy Director/Urban Forester Ben Neuman called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. Each person introduced themselves.

Link to call to order and introductions: [00:00:07](#)

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF TREE(S) REMOVOVAL ON LOCATION AT 777 SOUTH 400 EAST, ST. GEORGE, UTAH, 84770:**

Link to presentation from Doug Cannon including discussion between the Shade Tree Board, Urban Forester Ben Neumann, and Parks Manager Todd Steed: [00:01:48](#)

Link to motion: [00:11:18](#)

**MOTION:**

A motion was made by Board Member Gil Almquist

**SECOND:**

The motion was seconded by Board Member Steve Almquist

The motion was opened for discussion by Ben Neumann

**VOTE:**

Ben Neumann called for a vote, as follows:

Board member Almquist - aye  
Board member Kemp - aye  
Board member Pendleton - aye  
Board member Wood - aye  
Board member Sorenson - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF TREE(S) REMOVAL ON LOCATION 444 EAST SUNLAND DRIVE #35, ST. GEORGE, UTAH, 84790:**

Link to presentation from Rudy Odorizzi including discussion between the Shade Tree Board, Urban Forester Ben Neumann, Civil Attorney Daniel Baldwin, and Parks Manager Todd Steed: [00:17:55](#)

Link to motion: [00:31:12](#)

**MOTION:**

A motion was made by Board Member Gil Almquist

**SECOND:**

The motion was seconded by Board Member Steve Kemp

The motion was opened for discussion by Ben Neumann

**VOTE:**

Ben Neumann called for a vote, as follows:

Board member Almquist - aye  
Board member Kemp - aye  
Board member Pendleton - aye  
Board member Sorenson - aye  
Board member Wood - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF TREE(S) ON LOCATION AT 144 WEST BRIGHAM ROAD, ST. GEORGE, UTAH, 84790:**

Link to presentation from Rudy Odorizzi including discussion between the Shade Tree Board, Parks Manager Todd Steed, Urban Forester Ben Neumann and Developer Carol Winner:

[00:33:50](#)

Link to motion: [00:41:37](#)

**MOTION:**

A motion was made by Board Member Steve Kemp

**SECOND:**

The motion was seconded by Board Member Gil Almquist

The motion was opened for discussion by Ben Neumann

**VOTE:**

Ben Neumann called for a vote, as follows:

Board member Almquist - aye

Board member Kemp - aye

Board member Pendleton - aye

Board member Wood - aye

Board member Sorenson - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE NEW SHADE TREE BOARD APPLICATION PROCESS**

Link to agenda item four presented by Urban Forester Ben Neumann including discussion between the Board Members, Urban Forester Ben Neumann, Civil Attorney Daniel Baldwin, Developer Carol Winner: [00:47:13](#)

**OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND UPDATES FROM THE SHADE TREE BOARD MEMBERS**

Link to agenda item five presented by Urban Forester Ben Neumann including discussion between the Board Members, Urban Forester Ben Neumann, Parks Manager Todd Steed, Developer Carol Winner, and Civil Attorney Daniel Baldwin: [00:59:08](#)

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 19, 2025**

Link to agenda item six presented by Urban Forester Ben Neumann: [01:12:46](#)

**MOTION:**

A motion was made by Board Member Gil Almquist

**SECOND:**

The motion was seconded by Board Member Steve Kemp

**VOTE:**

Ben Neumann called for a vote, as follows:

Board member Almquist - aye  
Board member Kemp - aye  
Board member Pendleton - aye  
Board member Wood - aye  
Board member Sorenson - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**ADJOURN:**

Link to motion: [01:13:15](#)

**Motion:**

A motion was made by Board Member Gil Almquist to adjourn

**Second:**

The motion was seconded by Board Member Steve Kemp

**Vote:**

Ben Neumann called for a vote, as follows:

Bonnie Pendleton - aye  
Steve Kemp - aye  
Gil Almquist - aye  
John Sorenson - aye  
Conn Wood - aye

The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

/s/Rachel Hurd

Rachel Hurd, Secretary

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