



**Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee  
Regular Meeting Agenda**

Aug. 21, 2025 — 9–10 a.m.

Environmental Resource Center first floor meeting room, 290 E. Central St.

*Committee will advise City Council and appropriate City Departments regarding the city's trees and the community's urban forest and assist in continuing to qualify Springfield as a Tree City USA community.*

**Call to Order**

- Welcome and introductions
- Approval of May/June meeting minutes
  - Committee met informally in June and did not meet in July

**Unfinished Business**

- Report to mayor/city council
  - Written report, council lunch presentation later this year?
  - Request for tree-inventory assessment
  - Recommendations to mayor for appointment:
    - Ben Tegeler, Ozark Greenways seat
    - Anna Dowell, CFO seat (after Aaron rolls off)

**New Business**

- Post-storm tree clean-up protocol
  - "Tree Surgeon" guidance? Requirements/protocol for short-term tree care businesses?
  - Diverting large woody material from landfill
  - Bigger question — climate-change-related comments aside, why has this become such an issue?
- Treesilience update

**Call to Adjourn**

**Members**

- Ozark Greenways: Susie Turner
- Community Foundation of the Ozarks: Aaron Scott (Chair)
- Springfield Neighborhood Organization: Nancy Evans
- Development Community: Addison Jones, Dake Wells Architecture
- Development Community: (open seat)
- Citizen-at-Large: Michael Brittain (Vice chair)
- Citizen-at-Large: Mike McDaniel
- Citizen-at-Large: Justin Sheppard
- Citizen-at-Large: (open seat)

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**Staff Liaisons:**

- Travis Stokes, Urban Forester (417-864-1135)
- Josh Curnutt, Parks Supervisor (417-864-1178)
- Blake Simmons, City Utilities (417-831-8582)

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