

CITY OF ABILENE
TREE BOARD
MEETING AGENDA

August 28, 2018 at 5:30 pm
Dwight D. Eisenhower Municipal Building
419 N. Broadway Street

Agenda Item
Call to Order.
Approval of Agenda.
Approval of the Meeting Minutes – July 24, 2018.
Business. 1. Emerald Ash Borer Discussion.
Comments.
Adjournment.

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Members Absent: Christina Krause and Drew Snitker

Staff Present: Jennie Hiatt and James Holland

Others Present: none

Call to Order – Welcome.

Holland called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda.

Barbur made a motion to approve the agenda as written. The motion was seconded by Flynn. The motion passed unanimously. (3-0)

Approval of Minutes – June 26, 2018.

Barbur made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Flynn. The motion passed unanimously. (3-0)

Business.

1. Election of Officers.

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2. Emerald Ash Borer Plan.

There was discussion.

Comments.

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Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2018 4:16 PM
To: James Holland
Subject: Re: Transferring

I'm pretty sure you are going to do some great things in urban forestry without me. You have a pretty stellar tree team.

I'm headed to the SE Kansas area to be the crop production agent of the Wildcat District which includes towns like Pittsburg, Parsons, and Independence. Grew up just on a farm just north of Parsons

Lets say the email is my formal resignation unless you need a written one.

James

From: James Holland <james@abilenecityhall.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2018 3:49:22 PM
To: James Coover
Subject: RE: Transferring

Bummer.... I think with your help we were going to do some great things in the realm of urban forestry.

Good luck to you. Where are you going?

Does this email serve as your formal resignation?

From: James Coover <jcoover@ksu.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2018 3:31 PM
To: James Holland <james@abilenecityhall.com>
Subject: Transferring

Hello Mr. Holland,

I'm not sure if you have heard yet but I will be leaving Dickinson County and transferring extension positions at the end of the month. This means that I will no longer be able to serve on the Abilene Tree Board. I know I just started on the board but at the time I did not know that the transfer was a possibility. I love Abilene and Dickinson County but a chance to move back home to SE Kansas came open and I had to take it.

It is already obvious that the Abilene Tree Board is doing some great things and is something well beyond what most towns the size of Abilene have. I hope that the Abilene Makes a Difference week goes great and some beautiful trees get planted. Thank you for everything you do.

Thank you,
James Coover
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