

April 14, 2026 – Minutes of the McClellanville Tree Committee

Members Present: James Liberatos, Kelly Wetzel Wilson, Larry Mellichamp, Lindsay Aton, Billy McClellan, Ruthie Lacey, Marylou High.

Town Representative: Eddie Bernard, Town Planner and Arborist.

Chairperson, Larry Mellichamp, called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm and welcomed our newest committee member, Lindsay Aton.

Minutes: The Tree Committee did not meet on 1/13/2026 due to not having a quorum. Instead Larry, Ruthie and I worked on the Tree City application. Minutes from the 10/14/2025 meeting were emailed to committee members prior to tonight's meet to be read beforehand to save time. Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Larry seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Billy McClellan, Treasurer, reviewed the report.

Beginning Balance:

\$11,355.53

Expenses:

-\$118.65 Larry Mellichamp (Pear Tree; CREECS, Magnolia Tree; Dr. B, Fertilizer)

-\$139.16 Larry Mellichamp (Live Oak, Pine Needles, 10-10-10)

-\$32.69 Larry Mellichamp (Tree Watering Rings)

Ending Balance:

\$11,065.03

James made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Ruthie seconded it. All were in favor.

New Business: Workdays were set:

4/23/26 - Mulching and fertilizing 20-30 trees. 4/25/26 Vine Removal. Bring tools and meet at the Deerhead Oak at 9:00 am for both workdays.

Old Business: *Ruthie reported. No new signage for Seaside Way Park. Town Council approved the present sign and we cannot change it.

*Watering Teams: not needed as of now.

*Discussed gaining Tree City recognition again for the 25th year. Eddie will research getting a Tree City plaque for each of our 25 years.

*Ruthie made a motion for the Tree Committee to plant a Live Oak for the Town's 100th anniversary. Marylou seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Adjourn: Kelly made a motion to adjourn the meeting and James seconded it. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marylou High

Secretary, McClellanville Tree Committee