

2014 City of Bayfield Tree Board Annual Report
By Art Ode, City Forester

Tree Board Members: Gene Brevold, Beth Cozzi, Jane & Sherman Edwards, Jake Geisler, Grandon Harris, Art Ode and Howard Paap

Meetings: Monthly, 4th Monday, 10:00 a.m. at City Hall

Accomplishments:

- Wrote revision of Tree Ordinance for approval by Mayor and Council.
- Supervised Planting of 39 street and park trees.
- Training pruned all young trees, approximately 65 trees.
- Supervised contract pruning of all trees on Manypenny Ave., 1st St. to 6th St.
- Supervised removal of several large dead or dying trees, plus stump removals.
- Held Arbor Day Celebration and tree planting on May 16, 2014.
- Hosted Tree Board display at Bayfield in Bloom at Pavilion on May 16, 2014.

Activities of Volunteer City Forester:

- Wrote, coordinated and supervised \$48,900 Forest Service Grant to plant trees in the communities of Ashland (70 trees), Washburn (30 trees), Bayfield (30 trees) and Red Cliff (12 trees).
- Supervised tree contract services.
- Monitored City trees for Emerald Ash Borer and other pests and diseases
- Answered citizen questions regarding plant pests and diseases and other subjects as requested.
- Was guest speaker on “Garden Talk” radio show for Bayfield in Bloom at Pavilion on May 16, 2014.
- Attended area community Foresters meetings in Wausau on February 27, 2014 and November 19, 2014, paid for by City Tree Budget.
- Represented the City of Bayfield at the Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council meetings in Madison on March 12, 2014; LaCrosse on June 13, 2014; Menomonee Falls on September 12, 2014; and Madison on November 14, 2014, paid for by WDNR.