



**Agenda**  
**City of Geneva Shade Tree Committee**  
**Thursday October 23rd, 2025 Noon**  
**Geneva Welcome Center Conference Room**

**Approval:** Minutes from September 18th, 2025

**Old Business:**

- Hosting [www.genevatrees.com](http://www.genevatrees.com) on the city website
- Membership updates **Shadetree Committee (9 Members): 3 Years**

Charles Rouse December 31, 2025  
Jeremy Busch December 31, 2025  
James Norwalk (Chair) December 31, 2025  
Tom Burrall December 31, 2025  
James McCorkle December 31, 2026  
Daisy Hoyt December 31, 2026  
Jay Freer December 31, 2027  
James Anderson December 31, 2027  
James Engel December 31, 2027

Staff Liaison – Joe Venuti, Director of Public Works  
Council Liaison – John Brennan

- Report on problem trees and removal list
- Update on scheduled pruning
- Discuss requirement for a 3-year Shade Tree Report

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- DEC Community Reforestation Grant 2026:  
<https://dec.ny.gov/nature/forests-trees/urban-and-community-forestry/urban-and-community-forestry-grants>
- Planning Fall 2025 tree planting (spreadsheet to be presented)

**For IMMEDIATE planting**

LARGE (7)

Tulip Poplar	4 trees over 12'
American Basswood	1 tree over 12'
Swamp White Oak	1 tree 10' (need ID help, HWS?)
American Elm 'Jefferson'	1 tree 10' (saved for 154 Maxwell St)

**For Fall 2025**

SMALL (32+10)

Alleghany Serviceberry	20 trees 6-7'
White Fringetree	2 trees 6-7'
Eastern Redbud	10 trees 6-7'
Green Hawthorn	10 trees (special use)

MEDIUM (11)

American Hornbeam	3 trees 7-8' (need ID help)
American Hop-hornbeam	8 trees 10' (need ID help)

LARGE (62)

Black Gum	8 trees 7-8' (1 or 2 for BID)
Sugar Maple	13 trees 10-12'
Chinkapin Oak	18 trees 10-12'
Hackberry	12 trees 7-8' (1 for BID)
Bitternut Hickory	4 trees 8-10'
Kentucky Coffeetree	3 trees 8-10'
Black Maple	3 trees 6-8' (need ID help)

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- Spring 2026 plans: Joe Venuti wants us to skip additions to the nursery in 2026 so that we may catch up with planting effort. We still have the tubling stock at White Oak Nursery that will need to be transplanted we have approximately 150 small category trees to transplant:

36 Eastern Redbud

36 Alleghany Serviceberry

36 American Hornbeam

36 White Fringetree

- REMINDER: When Committee members are approached with tree complaints, The Dept. of Public Works director asked that they be instructed to send an email to [complaints@geneva.ny.us](mailto:complaints@geneva.ny.us) or call the Engineering Dept. at 1-315-789-3101. Emailed complaints should cc the resident's ward representative.

### **New Business:**

- Trees planted in Fall 2023 which must have fabric root control bags removed

859 S. Main St. (American Sycamore)

70 Herbert St. -side (American Sycamore)

187 Washington St. (American Sycamore)

57 N. Brook St. (Tulip Poplar)

102 Maxwell Ave. (Tulip Poplar)

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1025 Lochland Rd. (Swamp White Oak)

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79 N. Main St. (Sugar Maple)

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Tom Burrall will check on 3 caged trees at 90 Jay St. which are all in poor condition.

**Next Meeting:** NOON November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at the Finger Lakes Welcome Center Conference Room

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