



POUGHKEEPSIE Shade Tree Commission

City of Poughkeepsie Planning Division

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MINUTES OF THE JUNE 4th, 2026 MEETING

Members Present: Stephen MacAvery, Clay Antonatos, Evan Menist; 2nd Ward Council Member; Richard Distel; Planner

Meeting called to order: 5:00 PM

I. Roll Call & Approval of Minutes

II. New Business

Tree Inventory and Management Plan maps discussed. Discussion of how best to manage and update the Tree Inventory moving forward as well as the draft from Evan.

III. Planting Recommendations

The committee discussed the pros and cons of Bare Root trees and how this could be an economically advantageous option.

IV. Update of existing ordinances and proposed new ordinances

Stephen MacAvery said he will work on revised language to the old ordinances. He will look at examples for homeowners and developers.

V. Old Business

No old business

VI. Next meeting date: August 7, 2026

Meeting End: 5:40