

**MINUTES
CITY OF TAYLOR
TREE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
October 14, 2025
City Hall Conference Room
400 Porter Street
Taylor, TX 76574
5:30 PM**

PRESENT

Brian Lawrence
Mehgan Pokorny
Pam Harper
Marco Solis

ABSENT

Julie Rydell
Sharon Boon

OTHERS PRESENT

Tyler Bybee, Director
Betsy Schultz, Superintendent
Lisa Buzan, Liaison

Call to order and declare a quorum.

The meeting was called to order by Marco Solis and declared a quorum at 5:30 p.m.

Invocation:

Pam Harper

The Pledge of Allegiance:

All

Citizen Communications

None

Agenda Item 1 – Approve Minutes from meeting on July 8, 2025

Motion: Pam Harper motioned to accept the minutes as presented.

Second: Brian Lawrence

Vote: All voted aye.

Minutes are approved as presented.

Agenda Item 2 – Presentation from Resident Nolin Werchan

- Mr. Nolin Werchan, a local pecan tree expert, and his wife spoke to the board about their extraordinary 33-year lifelong Pecan Tree Business and Nursery in Taylor, Texas.
- Mr. Werchan shared some of his extensive knowledge of pecan tree care with the board.

Agenda Item 3 – Tree Care and Maintenance Update

- Diseased and dead trees removed from Murphy Park & Bull Branch Parks
- Trimmed back tree branches along Hike & Bike Trail & Murphy Park
- Trimmed tree branches from pool restroom building & Mallard ballfield concession stand
- Stump grinding continues in the parks
- Meghan's husband has offered to help trim trees.

- Service Day at Bull Branch in combination with Arbor Day

Agenda Item 3 – Arbor Day 2025 Planning & Discussion

- Bull Branch Park (Near the Playground) is the selected site for this year's Arbor Day Tree Planting Event.
 - Tyler & Betsy will go to Wadley Farms on Thursday to select Arbor Day trees.
 - They will purchase additional trees for Fannie Robinson Park & Doak Street Parks to replace the removed trees there.
 - Arbor Day tree planting will be at 9:00 am on Saturday, November 8th along the trail at Bull Branch Park north of the playground.

Agenda Item 4 - Identify items for next meeting

- Arbor Day Review

Next meeting date:

Next meeting is scheduled at 5:30pm on Tuesday, January 13, 2026

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.



Marco Solis, Chairman

Julie Rydell, Vice-Chairwoman