

## Town of Bath Tree Board Minutes December 17, 2025

The Tree Board convened at 5:00PM. Board members present were Craig Deane, Kate Lehman, Cathy Roberts, and Andy Swaim.

Review of the Minutes: The minutes of the November 19, 2025, meeting were reviewed and approved by common consent.

Demonstration City Grant 2025: Two trees will be planted on Wilkes Street in the Spring. The tree on Green Street has yet to be moved.

Tree Cutting at the Old Dump: Trees had been cut by Potmoac Edison. It was decided to leave things as they are and to encourage people to cut and use the wood for firewood.

Mulching Project at Greenway: Bartlett's Tree Experts delivered free mulch to Greenway Cemetery to create islands around the trees planted at the far east end of the cemetery.

Community Tree Grant 2025: Most work has been finished. The only task remaining is trimming the trees in the Old German Cemetery.

The Tree City USA application will be submitted by the December 31 deadline.

Treasurer's Report: During the past month the Tree Board account had 3 credits and 3 debits. The credits include:

- \$23.74 in interest and
- A \$5,000 transfer from the Town of Bath's general fund
- \$3500 contribution to the Tree Board.

The debits include:

- \$5000.00 to Truax Tree Service for the removal of the Green Street Tree;
- \$300.00 to Blades and Spades for digging holes and planting trees. This expense is covered by the DCG.

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The current balance of the Tree Board is \$1713.72.

The next meeting will be on January 21, 2026.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35PM.

Minutes submitted by Tree Board member Andy Swaim.

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