

TOWN of CEDARBURG

Preserving Yesterday's Heritage for Tomorrow



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Recycling Yard

Hours:

Monday to Friday:

8:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Residents can drop off:
leaves/compost, appliances,
oil, tires, scrap metal

Saturdays

March 1st – November 30th

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Residents can drop off:
leaves/compost, appliances,
oil, tires, scrap metal, card-
board, batteries, and e-cycling

NOTES & REMINDERS

- Board of Review May 7th
6-8PM.
- Meeting of Town Electors April
17th 7PM.

THIS LITTLE TOWN OF OURS

Wisconsin towns have a right to feel pretty special. There are 39,044 general purpose local government entities in America, according to the latest census. Only 20 states have something known as townships, however. The remaining 30 states, such as Texas, only have cities—divided into "home rule" (larger) cities, and "general law" (smaller) cities, the latter of which must look to state law to determine how they are governed. Wisconsin towns are even more unique—because in Wisconsin, a "township" isn't a form of government—it is a geographic surveyor's unit measuring six by six miles square. Wisconsin is only one of two states (New York) to have a form of local government known as a "town" and we have 1,266 towns to New York's 932. Towns usually have the same name as adjacent cities or villages.

Wisconsin towns are usually 6 square miles, with some variation resulting from natural and man-made boundaries such as rivers and county lines. Civil towns are often coterminous with geographic townships, however in the less sparsely populated northern part of the state, towns may encompass several townships. Annexation of town lands into cities and villages has eroded some towns to a fraction of their original size. Wisconsin towns are created by the Wisconsin Constitution to provide basic municipal government services to rural areas, including elections, property tax administration, road construction and maintenance, recycling, and, in some cases, police and fire protection. This form of government was brought to Wisconsin by settlers from New York and the New England area in territorial days. They were designed to meet the needs of farmers—allowing them to farm 20 acres and walk to town hall to pay their taxes. The day-to-day administrative issues of each town are handled by an elected town board, consisting of three or five members. Town boards are elected for two-year terms in spring elections of odd-numbered years, and towns are served by a clerk and treasurer (or combined clerk-treasurer) and can have an appointed town administrator. As Wisconsin became more urban, the Legislature developed a system for governing them. Over 95% of Wisconsin's land area is made up of towns.

Today, Wisconsin has 407 villages and 190 cities that are incorporated much like a corporation is. The difference between a town, a village, and a city in Wisconsin is not always clear. Cities and villages have additional powers and responsibilities that towns do not have—such as the power



Gary Wickert
Supervisor Seat 3

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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK



EMERALD ASH BORER (EAB)



Town of Cedarburg residents who have ash trees on their property are strongly encouraged to develop a strategy for managing their trees and maintaining property value as the EAB wave moves through the Ozaukee County area during the next decade.

TIM RHODE
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

The Town has put together information from four different perspectives as it relates to the EAB. First, below is a brief history of the EAB. Next, on Page 8 of the newsletter is a detailed decision guide for private property owners to help strategize for the EAB. Third, Public Works Director Adam Monticelli outlines the Town strategy for dealing with EAB on Town parkland and ROW (Right-of-Way). Finally, included on page 4 are some options for private property land owners in the Town regarding what they can do when they have trees cut down or branches have fallen off the trees.

History of the EAB

The emerald ash borer (EAB), *Agrilus planipennis* Fairmaire (Coleoptera: Buprestidae), is native to eastern Asia and is primarily a pest of ash (*Fraxinus*) trees. Established populations of EAB were first detected in the United States and Canada in 2002, and based on a dendrochronology study by Siegert et al. (2009), the original EAB introduction likely occurred in the early to mid-1990s in Michigan. Wisconsin's first EAB siting was ten years ago in 2008, Ozaukee County reported the EAB in 2012. The Town staff started to see EAB effects in 2013.



Recently planted ash trees showing thinning crowns and epicormic shoots typical of EAB infestation

This is current map of the infestation in the US and Canada



2018 SEASON STARTS IN APRIL

2018 has seen a record number of participants for open registration, setting up a great season for all levels of play. Baseball divisions include children ages 4-13 years old. Baseball teams for ages 4-10 will play in Cedarburg, with 11-13 year old teams mixing in some travel to other local Little League programs for an interleague play experience. Our softball program is for girls ages 7-12 years old, who will participate in a multi-community program including Grafton, Germantown, Menomonee Falls, and West Bend. Play for all baseball and softball teams will conclude in July. As usual, our participants will be able to take part in a variety of opportunities during the season including attending Little League Night at Miller Park, walking in the fourth of July parade, and end-of-season events.



(Above: Pirates Intermediate Team from 2017 playing at Miller Park).

NOW ACCEPTING SPONSORSHIPS FOR 2018

Over \$533,700 has been raised since the inception of Town recreation programming, including \$31,000 in 2017. Sponsorships reduce registration fees and allow us to improve our facilities, with no recreation related funding coming from tax dollars. Our sponsorship flyer is available at www.cedarburglittleleague.com. Contact Paul Jungbauer at Town Hall at 377-4509 for details.

ERIC RYER
ASST. ADMINISTRATOR/
CLERK



YOUTH TRACK & FIELD REGISTRATION NOW OPEN AT TOWN HALL

Youth Track & Field will be offered for children grades K5-5th grade. Participants will practice one day a week right after school for 6 weeks and the season will conclude with competing as individuals and part of a team in a track meet. Registration will close April 13th. Season begins in early-May and concludes mid-June. Contact Paul Jungbauer at Town Hall with questions at 262-377-4509.

CEDARBURG FLAG FOOTBALL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN ONLINE

Registration for the Cedarburg Flag Football league will be held online again in 2018 and is now open. Practices and games are held weekly on Tuesday nights at the Webster and PAC fields by Cedarburg High School. Our league includes a free mini-camp and division championship games at Concordia University and a dry-wick personalized player jersey. A record of over **220 boys and girls** played in four divisions ranging from 4-13 year olds last season. Visit the Town website for more on the league and to register.

CEDARBURG YOUTH SOCCER REGISTRATION OPENS IN JUNE

Registration for Cedarburg Youth Soccer will open in June for the fall season. The season will begin in early August and run through early October. The program is for K4-2nd grade. Contact Paul Jungbauer at Town Hall with questions at 262-377-4509.

CHAIRMAN SALVAGGIO



About the Zoning Code

The Town has had a land use plan for many years. The zoning code is the vehicle of this plan.

- With 20 possible zoning classifications including agriculture, commercial, residential and Industrial, its goal is a functional community with orderly build out that follows the land use plan.
- Compatible development preserves property values and results in a safer community.
- The zoning code applies with equity, is not a respecter of persons, nor picks winners and losers.
- It can be seen as restrictive or constructive depending on your vantage point.
- The zoning code does not get much attention until it affects us directly, as an individual or a neighborhood.
- Upholding the integrity of the land use plan is key to preserving the identity of the Town, distinguishes us from other communities.
- The results are evident with any drive through the township.

We Just Cut Down Several Ash (or any type) Trees Now What?

Option # 1 Town Brush Collection Program: Between June 1st and October 14th, 2018, the Town will provide a fee based roadside brush collection service. Residents are charged \$95 for the first half hour of collection. If the collection takes longer than 30 minutes to complete residents are charged an additional \$2.50 per minute after. Property owners will be billed only for the time actually spent on site collecting. To minimize the fee charged, residents should do the following:

1. Place the brush on the roadside of the ditch.
2. Place the brush with the cut ends toward the road.
3. To request a pickup please contact Town Hall or through the Resident Request Center online at <http://rrc.town.cedarburg.wi.us/>.

The maximum amount of brush collected per household is a pile no larger than 100'L x 6'H x 5'W, with a limb diameter no greater than 6". This amount can be collected all at once or broken down into smaller piles throughout the year (ex. Two 50' x 6'H x 5'W piles or ten 10' x 6'H x 5'W piles). The brush will be collected by either a light duty truck with a chipper or a wheeled excavator with a claw/grapple attachment. As a reminder piles left on the shoulder can be a hazard to driving, if they are left longer than two weeks they will be picked up without notice and the resident will be invoiced accordingly.

Option # 2 Burning Clean Wood: The Town Code allows property owners in the Town to burn clean wood. Clean wood is defined in the Town Code as any wood that has not been chemically treated in any way. Clean wood does not have any green leaves or foliage left on them. When considering burning on your property, please follow safe practices and only burn during calm wind conditions.

Option # 3 Contracting with a private company to remove/chip the tree is always a good option. Having a local firm come to your property and remove the tree(s) is most common.

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

Town Road Improvements for 2018

The Town of Cedarburg will be resurfacing Cedar Creek Rd west 1.05 miles to CTH Y. The work planned for this road will be to address drainage concerns, replace old or deteriorated roadway/driveway culverts, re-grading of ditches, rebuilding of shoulders, and replace the deteriorated asphalt. The roads will be pulverized and then resurfaced with a four inch thick layer of new asphalt. Residents along these roads will be notified in detail before any work begins. For specific questions, call Adam Monticelli, Director of Public Works, at 377-4509.



ADAM MONTICELLI DIRECTOR
OF PUBLIC WORKS

Town Road Maintenance for 2018

The Town will be conducting crack sealing and pot hole patching throughout the Township as we have every year. Please reduce your speed and provide extra space when passing Public Works employees and equipment. If there is a pothole or dip in the road that requires particular attention please utilize the Resident Request Center <http://rrc.town.cedarburg.wi.us/> to notify Town staff.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK: Curbside Recycling

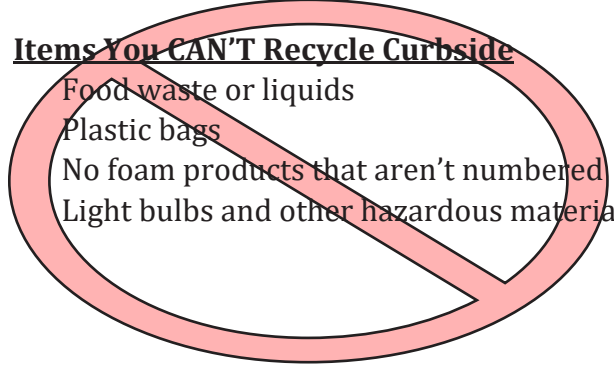
Our programs continued success relies on Town residents making the right choice to drop an item in your refuse cart or your recycling cart. Each item you choose to deposit in your refuse cart is another item that gets weighed at the landfill, billed to the Town of Cedarburg, and dumped/buried in the landfill.

Recycling curbside couldn't be any easier and almost all items can be recycled, below is a list of those items:

Items You CAN Recycle Curbside

- ALL plastic bottles and containers
- ALL glass bottles and jars
- ALL numbered Polystyrene packaging (Styrofoam)
- Junk mail, office & school paper, phone books, books, magazines & newspapers
- Chipboard, boxboard, brown paper bags and cardboard
- Aluminum foil, cans and empty aerosol cans
- Paper cardboard, dairy and juice containers

Items You CAN'T Recycle Curbside



- Food waste or liquids
- Plastic bags
- No foam products that aren't numbered
- Light bulbs and other hazardous material

Here are a few things to keep in mind:

Cart Ownership - These carts are the property of Waste Management and not the home owner. In the event you were to move, the recycling cart stays with the home.

Additional Carts/Exchanges - At any time a resident feels the cart they have isn't sufficient in size to handle your recycling needs Waste Management will deliver a second 64/96 gallon cart to you for no additional charge. Please contact Waste Management @ 1-888-960-0008.

SUPERVISOR WICKERT



to annex and create TIF districts—which often hampers town boards when they are asked to fight annexation or other encroachments by cities and villages. This handicap became apparent ten years ago when we fought annexation efforts by the City of Cedarburg and were forced to strategically buy property to defend ourselves— or more recently when we were powerless to resist the annexation efforts by the Village of Grafton for the Kohlwey subdivision next to Cedarton Estates off of Keup Road.

Urbanization is spreading like an inexorable glacier. Since 2010, for the first time ever, rural America has begun to shrink. In 2015, over 81% (250 million people) of the U.S. population lived in 486 "urban areas." The population of rural America—which is both aging and shrinking—often see the world differently than people in more urbanized areas. Voting patterns and polls bear this out. While there are obviously many exceptions, attitudes toward many political issues are generally split along urban/rural lines.

Rural town government has reason to feel very special. Issues and political decisions that affect our quality of life are often the most poignant. In recent years, town hall meetings across the country have grown quite volatile—often resulting in incivility and violence. January's Cedarburg Town Board meeting saw hundreds of people pack into the board room on both sides of a contentious issue regarding the expansion of the Jackson Quarry across Wausaukee Road and into the town of Cedarburg. Residents who lived nearby cited noise and vibration from blasting and other quarry operations, affecting the peaceful way of life they had come to enjoy in the town. Many others—including quarry employees and some business leaders who cited a growing need for inexpensive, local gravel and aggregate in the future—squared off in what would have been a free-for-all in many other board rooms across southeastern Wisconsin. Instead, what we witnessed, without exception, was civility and courtesy as each side stated their case. Conspicuously absent from town hall were sheriff's deputies lining the walls, as is the case in many other municipalities across the country. Neighbors disagreed with neighbors, but did so in a polite and orderly way. It was one of the high points of my tenure on the Town Board.

Our Town is a 1938 metatheatrical three-act play by American playwright Thornton Wilder. It tells the story of the fictional American small town of Grover's Corners between 1901 and 1913 through the everyday lives of its citizens. *Our Town* depicts Americana—small town life from a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away. It is a world far too many will never experience. Wilder's classic play teaches us three lessons—the same three lessons we learn from life here in the town of Cedarburg: (1) everything changes; (2) we are in this together; and (3) being good neighbors transforms us. I am proud to live in the town of Cedarburg.

Summer Public Works Help Needed

The Town of Cedarburg is looking for 2 hardworking, dependable employees to assist the Public Works Crew with maintenance and construction projects.

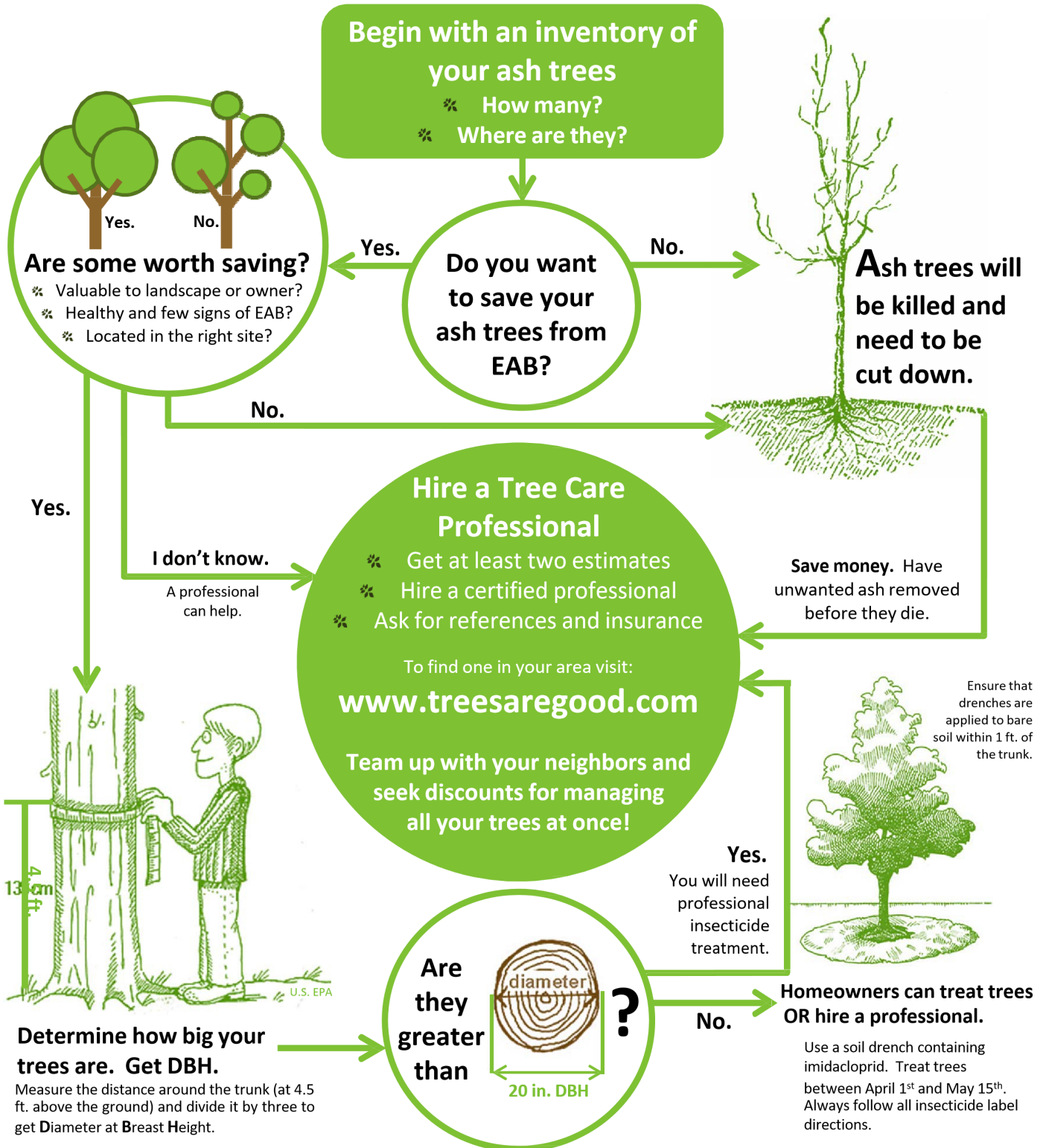
Typical duties of this temporary, part-time position include: mowing lawns at Town Hall, Town parks, and bike paths; landscape maintenance; baseball field preparation; and some light building maintenance. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and possess a valid driver's license. Length of employment will not exceed 12 weeks. Starting wage \$8.50-\$10.50/hr.



Applications are available online at:

<http://www.town.cedarburg.wi.us/cedarburg-iwantto.cfm?id=45>

and at Cedarburg Town Hall, 1293 Washington Avenue, Cedarburg, WI 53012. Return your application no later than April 27, 2018 at noon; Attention: Adam Monticelli, Director of Public Works .



TOWN CODE

PAUL MORTIMER
BUILDING INSPECTOR



Projects Requiring Permits

It's that time of year again; construction and self-help projects are rearing their heads and need attention. Don't forget that permits are required to complete large-scale projects, so prior to picking up that hammer or calling a contractor please review the most common permits required:

- Replacing or adding a new culvert or driveway
- Adding new decks, minor sheds, gazebos, etc.
- Electrical and plumbing
- Detached garages and sheds
- Air conditioning units (not window units)
- Above/In ground pools

A full list of Town permits can be found at:

<http://www.town.cedarburg.wi.us/cedarburg-egovernment.cfm?id=34>



April 3rd Spring Election

What's on my ballot?

The spring election features Supervisor Seats 2 & 4 (elected at-large). Also on the ballot are State Supreme Court Justice, school board, and a state referendum regarding the State Treasurer. Please visit <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> to verify you are registered, review your voter profile, and view other important voter information including all races on your specific ballot for both elections. You may visit the Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC) website <http://elections.wi.gov/> for additional information regarding voting.



Absentee Voting

The Town of Cedarburg will hold in-person absentee voting for the April Spring Election starting March 14th and concluding on March 30th at Town Hall located at 1293 Washington Avenue (next to Kwik Trip at Five Corners) Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 pm daily. Hours will be extended on Friday, March 30th to 5pm.

To vote early by absentee ballot, you must be a registered voter and provide an acceptable photo ID. You can fill out the absentee request form ahead of time, print, and bring it to Town Hall; forms are also available at Town Hall. Both the Voter Registration and Absentee application can be found on the Town's Election webpage at www.town.cedarburg.wi.us

Where do I vote?

Polling locations are open from 7am-8pm on Election Day. Electors living in Wards 1-4 vote at Town Hall located at 1293 Washington Avenue next to Kwik Trip. Electors living in Wards 5-10 vote at Fire Station No. 2 located at 1350 Covered Bridge Road across from Wayne's Drive-In. Visit the Town's website to view the Ward map. If you are planning on registering to vote at the polls, allow additional time to do so.

Open Book and Board of Review

The Town has finalized when the 2018 assessment roll will be open for examination ("**Open Book**") and the **Board of Review** will be held. Open Book will occur on April 11th from 10am-noon, and the Board of Review will occur on May 7th from 6-8pm. Instructional material about the assessment, how to file an objection, and Board of Review procedures under Wisconsin law will be available at Town Hall.

PUBLIC WORKS

ADAM MONTICELLI
DIRECTOR
OF PUBLIC
WORKS



The past, current, and future strategy for dealing with EAB trees in the Town's ROW (right-of-way) is to remove them before they become a danger.

Per the Town code, there are no trees allowed in the Town's ROW whether they're healthy or not. The Town has 120 lane miles of ROW that we own and maintain over 25 square miles. We've taken an approach to complete high volume tree removal with the help of contractors, this work is typically done in conjunction with the planned road construction project for that year. In the past, we've tried to remove them with our own Public Works crews, however, we weren't nearly as efficient as the specialists in this field nor were we equipped with the same equipment to get the job done.



The town crews have removed trees in the past and will continue to do so provided they don't put our employees in an unsafe situation or beyond our equipment's capabilities. As for potential EAB infested trees within any our parks, the Town will continue to keep a watchful eye on them and remove them when necessary. This overall approach to our EAB problem will continue for the foreseeable future.



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