

Tree Warden Budget FY17

I am requesting a slight increase in funding for three persons "The Tree Team" for mileage expenses which are increasing due to the need for care of the trees planted over the past 8 years. No more planting is contemplated, except for special small projects for which funding is receive from outside sources.

Tree care includes: pruning to build sturdy boles and a platform for crown, placing or removing tree guards, fertilizing where needed, continual monitoring for tree diseases or insect pests.

Hazard tree inspections will continue at accelerated pace along roads.

Emerald ash borer vigilance will be increased.

Work at Thompsons Point is unpredictable, but with more severe winds and storms (the forecast) requests for tree removal or pruning will increase.

Utility roadside pruning control and consultations will probably increase due to crazy weather events we are experiencing.

The request is for a budget of \$1200 \$1200

Mileage claims (based on last year and modest increase)-----\$1000

Equipment and miscellaneous expenses (marking paint,
pruning equipment, postage, herbicide, Tree Wardens' Workshop)---\$ 200

Submitted on behalf of Tree Warden Larry Hamilton and Deputy Tree Wardens
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