

Forester's Report 9 2 2016

One burning permit was issued during August.

Mowed pathways in Musser and Harmon Parks, mowed around young trees in Musser Park and along Salem Church Road near the east end hill.

Felled a dead elm in Harmon Park that had a strong likelihood of falling onto a neighbor's fence.

Pruned deer damaged and dead lower branches on evergreens growing in the north Musser Park meadow. Also cut back amur maples encroaching over path on north side of the Musser Park woods. These actions will also help make mowing easier in the future.

Consulted with residents regarding a lightning struck tree (needed prompt removal), diseases and insects on crabapples (Japanese beetles and apple scab), wild parsnip, oak wilt, and a dead elm near a street. Collected and submitted three potential oak wilt samples to U of M plant disease labs for testing.

Began removing grape vines growing in pine trees along Salem Church Road. Cut stumps are treated to prevent regrowth.

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