

Living Sculpture Tree and Shrub Care, Inc.
5900 Zehnder Road
Sunfish Lake, Minnesota 55077

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Forester's Report 12 29 2020

Surprisingly, no burning permits were issued during December.

The Tree City USA application was completed and filed with the National Arbor Day Foundation.

Consultations with property owners at 315 Salem Church Road, 114 Salem Church Road, and 14 Sunfish Lane regarding tree surveys prior to submitting a building plan, deer issues, burning permit questions, and how to dispose of a deer hit by a vehicle on Highway 62 that ended up in their yard.

Checked City trees along City streets twice during the month and monitored lake outflow of Sunfish, Hornbeam, and Horseshoe Lakes. No outflow is occurring currently from any of our three lakes.

Tree Board meeting was held on December 14 via Zoom. The best new idea to come out of the meeting was to suggest to the Welcome Committee that new residents be offered an opportunity to plant a tree in Musser Park with the City Forester as part of their Welcome to the City.

Sent a letter to the Minnesota Land Trust to update their records identifying the new trees that had been planted in Musser Park during 2020.

Horseshoe Lake has been frozen shore to shore since December 15. Neighbors around the lake started creating skating rinks on the lake on December 27. Everyone seems to want to get going with some kind of outside activity. Anyone thinking of a New Year's campfire/bonfire to celebrate the end of 2020? I am!

Jim Naves
City Forester