
DEPARTMENT: OPERATIONAL SERVICES / RECREATION FACILITIES

TITLE: **TREE PLANTING ON TOWN LANDS**

Minutes reference date: 26 June 2006 22 June 2015

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to set a standard for planting trees by community groups on all Town owned or leased properties.

POLICY STATEMENT

Planting of new tree/s will be as follows:

1. Community groups or individuals wishing to plant tree/s on Town lands must make a request in writing to the Recreation Director. This request must indicate purpose of planting, species of tree and location. (See Schedule A - REQUEST FORM.)
2. Tree/s shall be a caliber not less than 40mm (1.5 inches) in diameter, and not less than 2.5 meters (8 feet) in height.
3. Tree/s must meet Nova Scotia Power Tree Zones for power lines: "Right Tree, Right Place" .
4. Trees shall be No.1 grade in accordance with the Canadian Standards for Nursery Stock.
5. Trees are to be planted no closer than 3 meters from utility polls, water shutoffs, sewer laterals, or under ground utilities and no closer than 5 meters from a fire hydrant.
6. Community groups or individuals wanting to have members of Council present at planting ceremonies, must contact the Executive Office (Town Hall) for scheduling.
7. The Recreation Department will, if requested in writing, purchase suitable trees on behalf of community groups or individuals on full cost recovery basis.

**TOWN OF AMHERST POLICY
TREE PLANTING ON TOWN LANDS
SCHEDULE A – REQUEST FORM**

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NAME OF ORGANIZATION OR INDIVIDUAL:

PURPOSE OF TREE PLANTING:

LOCATION REQUESTED:

TYPE OF TREE(S) REQUESTED:

Must meet Nova Scotia Power's "Right Tree, Right Place" requirements.

<http://www.nspower.ca/en/home/for-my-home/tree-trimming-and-removal/tree-planting-.aspx>

REQUEST RECREATION DEPARTMENT PURCHASE SUITABLE TREE(S) ON FULL COST
RECOVERY BASIS: _____

SIGNATURE

REQUEST MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ATTEND PLANTING CEREMONY: YES NO

DATE AND TIME OF PLANTING CEREMONY (if applicable)
