



POLICY: Tree Maintenance & Reserves

PURPOSE:

The Summer Village of Parkland Beach will establish guidelines for Tree Maintenance in Reserves and all public spaces, and for general care and maintenance of the Reserve areas

POLICY GUIDELINES:

1. Summer Village of Parkland Beach will conduct regular inspections of the reserves and other treed areas under municipal control.
2. The goal of inspections will be to identify safety issues, monitor the overall health of the urban forest, and formulate an annual action plan.
3. The Summer Village will hire a competent contractor to complete the inspections and to carry out the action plan, once it is approved.
4. Employees and volunteers who are familiar with the reserve areas may also assist with the inspections and planning.

ANNUAL TREE MAINTENANCE:

1. The overall goal of the Tree Maintenance Plan is to conduct minimally-invasive removal of dead and/or dangerous trees.
2. The Summer Village recognizes that deadfall is important to bird and wildlife habitat, and will consider this in the plan.
3. The CAO will coordinate the drafting of the annual plan and will submit the plan to Council for approval before maintenance is carried out.
4. The CAO will respond to resident concerns regarding dangerous trees throughout the year and take action as needed.

RESERVE AREAS:

1. Reserve areas are for public enjoyment, recreation, and wildlife habitat. Private development of buildings or amenities, and storage of private property is not permitted.
2. Removal of live trees from the reserves by property owners is prohibited.
3. Commercial activities in Reserve areas require appropriate approvals, as per policy or bylaw. (e.g. mobile food vendor)

Council Approval: July 27, 2018