

NOTICE

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER RESILIENT ROADS COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING ON ROADSIDE ASH TREE MANAGEMENT

FOLLOWED BY

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER TREE WARDEN PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING TREE REMOVAL

**Tuesday, September 15, 2020
6:30 p.m.**

**Hosted at the Municipal Office Building, Which is Currently Closed to the Public Due to Covid-19
Public and Committee Members are Encouraged to Participate Remotely, as Explained Below**

The East Montpelier Resilient Roads Committee will hold a Public Informational Meeting on roadside ash tree management as related to the threat of emerald ash borer infestation and tree loss. The meeting will be followed directly by a Public Hearing, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. §2509 (the state statute on tree warden hearings), conducted by Paul Cate, the Town Tree Warden, for a project that involves removal of ash trees along Dodge Road and Johnson Road, as well as a large pine tree at the southwest corner of the Dodge and Johnson Roads intersection.

The informational meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. The hearing will begin at 7:30.

The Tree Warden will accept testimony on the proposed Dodge and Johnson Roads project from interested parties, which includes affected landowners, both at the hearing and in writing at the town office (by mail to 40 Kelton Road, PO Box 157, East Montpelier, VT 05651; by email to manager@eastmontpeliervt.org) on or before the close of business on September 22, 2020. The Warden and Committee will also welcome comments from all in attendance on the Town's options for responding to the ash tree infestation threat and this project in particular. The project includes removal of ash trees along Dodge Road, Johnson Road and the eastern end of the Dodge Road Trail. Also included is possible removal of a single pine tree at the intersection of the two roads in order to improve conditions for an adjacent ash tree that the Town may preserve using long-term insecticide treatments.

To Attend the Meeting &/or Hearing:

See information & participation options here: <https://eastmontpeliervt.org/september-15-2020-ash-tree-management-meeting-hearing/>

To join by web browser: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81482334480>

By phone: 1 + (646) 558-8656 [this is not a toll-free number]

Meeting ID: 814 8233 4480

Participation (in person or in writing) in a local regulatory proceeding is recommended in order to preserve the right to take any subsequent appeal. Questions may be directed to Bruce Johnson, East Montpelier Town Administrator, at 802-223-3313 x 204 or manager@eastmontpeliervt.org.

Information on the Resilient Roads Committee may be found on the Town website at: <https://eastmontpeliervt.org/boards-commision/roadside-vegetation-management/>