

Agenda

TREE BOARD

Regular meeting

9 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2026

Board Meeting Room of Town Hall Annex, 105 E. Corbin St.



1. **Call to order, roll call, and confirmation of quorum**
2. **Agenda changes and approval**
3. **Discussion items**
 - A. Dorothy N. Johnson plant list
 - B. NC Government Policies on Native Plants Webinar: Tim Logue
 - C. Annual Plan 2026
4. **Updates**
 - A. Invasive Species Removal Team
 - B. Garden Club
 - C. Staff: FY27 budget update, tree inventory, interpretive sign
5. **Adjournment**

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Plant Selection

The following is a list of potential plants that the youth interns are interested in planting at the proposed site. Specific plant types are subject to change based on what is viable for the site and on the advice of the Tree Board.

Perennials

1. *Echinacea purpurea* 'Purple Cone Flower'
2. *Hylotelephium telephium* 'Herbstfreude'
'Autumn Joy Sedum'
3. *Baptisia australis* 'Wild indigo'
4. *Petunia x hybrida* 'Petunia'
5. *Penstemon* 'Penstemon Dark towers'
6. *Amaranthus caudatus* 'Foxtail Amaranth'
7. *Nerine bowdenii* 'Cape Flower'
8. *Mertensia virginica* 'Virginia Spiderwort'
9. *Penstemon parryi* 'Parry's Penstemon'
10. *Oenothera lindheimeri* 'Gaura'
11. *Symphyotrichum oblongifolium* 'October Skies'
12. *Lobelia siphilitica* 'Blue Cardinal Flower'

Trees

1. *Quercus rubra* 'Red Oak'
2. *Ficus carica* 'Fig Tree'

Herbs

1. *Symphyotrichum novae-angliae* 'Sage'
2. *Lavandula* 'Lavender'
3. *Mentha spicata* 'Mint'
4. *Thymus vulgaris* 'Thyme'
5. *Ocimum basilicum* 'Basil'
6. *Calendula officinalis* 'Calendula'
7. *Origanum* 'Oregano'
8. *Salvia rosmarinus* 'Rosemary'

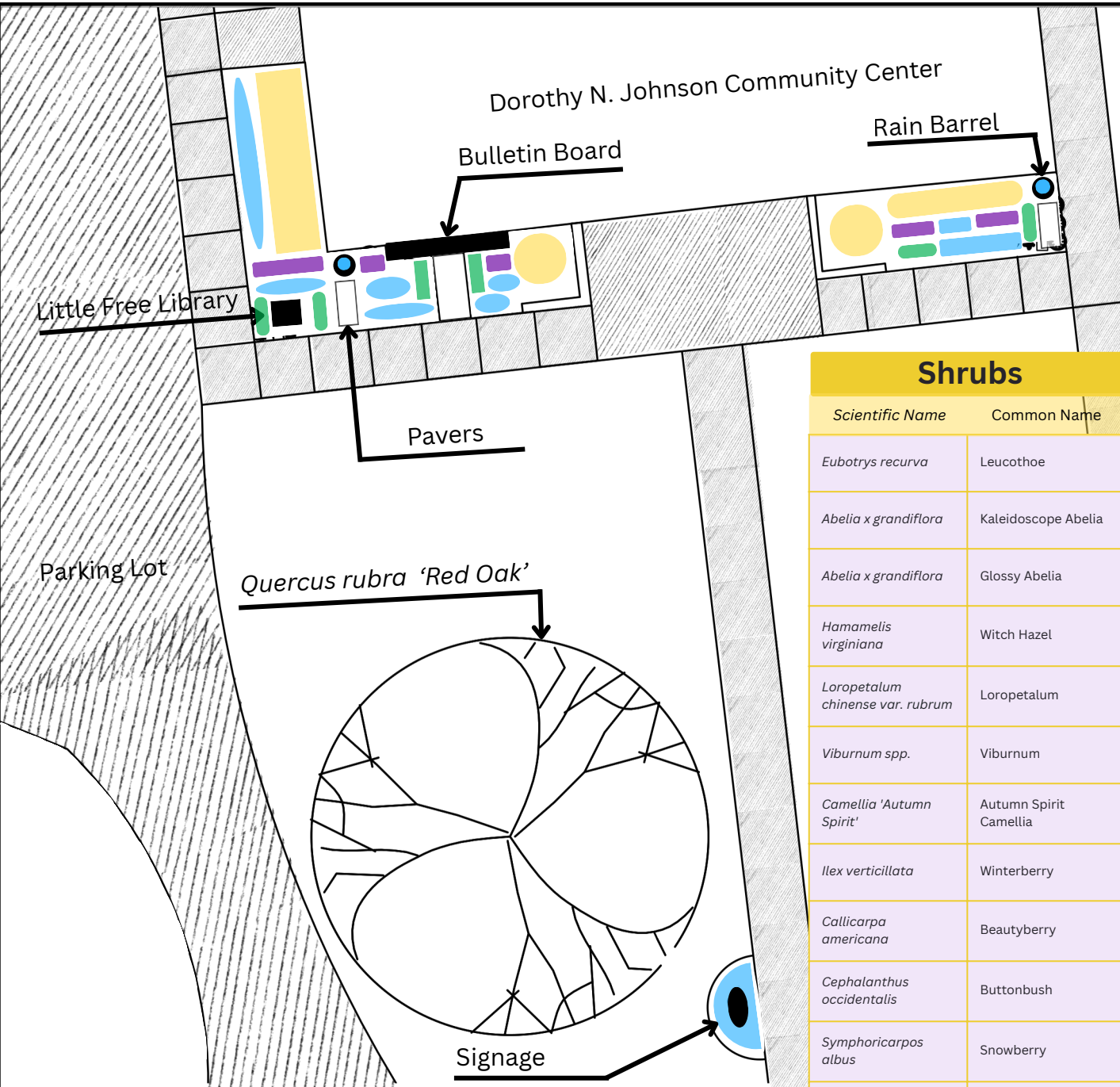
Shrubs

1. *Eubotrys recurva* 'Leucothoe'
2. *Abelia x grandiflora* 'Kaleidoscope Abelia'
3. *Abelia x grandiflora* 'Glossy Abelia'
4. *Hamamelis virginiana* 'Witch Hazel'
5. *Loropetalum chinense* var. *Rubrum* 'Loropetalum'
6. *Viburnum spp.* 'Viburnum'
7. *Camellia* 'Autumn Spirit'
8. *Ilex verticillata* 'Winterberry'
9. *Callicarpa americana* 'Beautyberry'
10. *Cephalanthus occidentalis* 'Buttonbush'
11. *Symphoricarpos albus* 'Snowberry'
12. *Itea virginica* 'Itea'

Grasses

13. *Iris virginica*
 'Southern Blue
 Flag Iris'
14. *Iris sibirica*
 'Siberian Iris'
15. *Symphyotrichum*
 novae-angliae
 'New England
 Aster'
16. *Phlox stolonifera*
 'Creeping phlox'
17. *Asclepias syriaca*
 'Common
 Milkweed'
18. *Begonia*
 'Begonia'
19. *Lonicera*
 sempervirens
 'Coral
 Honeysuckle'
20. *Penstemon*
 digitalis 'Foxglove
 Beardtongue'

1. *Eupatorium*
 perfoliatum
 'Boneset'
2. *Panicum*
 virgatum 'Switch
 Grass'
3. *Anatherum*
 ternarium
 'Splitbeard
 Bluestem'



PLANT LEGEND

Perennials		Perennials	
Scientific Name	Common Name	Scientific Name	Common Name
<i>Symphyotrichum novae-angliae</i>	New England Aster	<i>Scientific Name</i>	<i>Common Name</i>
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Purple Coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Purple Cone Flower
<i>Begonia</i>	Begonia	<i>Baptisia australis</i>	Wild indigo
<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>	Coral Honeysuckle	<i>Petunia x hybrida</i>	Petunia
Herbs		<i>Penstemon</i>	Penstemon Dark towers
		<i>Penstemon parryi</i>	Parry's penstemon
<i>Symphyotrichum novae-angliae</i>	Sage	<i>Hylotelephium telephium</i>	Autumn Joy sedum
<i>Calendula officinalis</i>	Calendula	<i>Oenothera lindheimeri</i>	Gaura,
<i>Ocimum basilicum</i>	Basil	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Blue cardinal flower
<i>Lavandula</i>	Lavender	<i>Iris virginica</i>	Southern Blue Flag iris
<i>Mentha spicata</i>	Mint	<i>Iris sibirica</i>	Siberian iris
<i>Origanum</i>	Oregano	<i>Amaranthus caudatus</i>	Foxtail amaranth
<i>Salvia rosmarinus</i>	Rosemary	<i>Symphyotrichum oblongifolium</i>	October Skies
<i>Thymus vulgaris</i>	Thyme	<i>Mertensia virginica</i>	Virginia Spiderwort
Grasses		<i>Phlox stolonifera</i>	Creeping Phlox
		<i>Nerine bowdenii</i>	Japanese Spider Lily
		<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	Common Milkweed
<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i>	Boneset		
<i>Panicum virgatum</i>	Switch Grass		
<i>Anatherum ternarium</i>	Splitbeard Bluestem		

Shrubs	
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<i>Abelia x grandiflora</i>	Glossy Abelia
<i>Hamamelis virginiana</i>	Witch Hazel
<i>Loropetalum chinense var. rubrum</i>	Loropetalum
<i>Viburnum spp.</i>	Viburnum
<i>Camellia 'Autumn Spirit'</i>	Autumn Spirit Camellia
<i>Ilex verticillata</i>	Winterberry
<i>Collicarpa americana</i>	Beautyberry
<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>	Buttonbush
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	Snowberry
<i>Itea virginia</i>	Itea



Tree Board- Annual Plan 2026

January	Fig Buttercup re-release, DNJ Fairview planting plan, Interpretive sign: Native Plants and Riparian Restoration
February	Discuss 2026 Bee City USA Initiatives, No Mow March planning, Creek Week Planning
March	Bark Scale, Begin Earth Evening and Climate Challenge Planning
April	Complete Earth Evening preparations, begin National Pollinator Week preparations
May	Complete National Pollinator Week preparations, Treasure Tree selection
June	No meeting
July	No meeting
August	Begin Fall Plantings Selection
September	Finalize Fall Plantings, Leave the Leaves Planning
October	Develop Budget Requests, Arbor Day preparations, "Leave the Leaves", Election of Officers
November	Arbor Day celebration, Tree City Award
December	No meeting

Important Dates

March: No Mow March

March 21-28, 2026: Creek Week

April: Climate Challenge

April 26-May 2, 2026: National Pollinator Week

November-January: Leave the Leaves

November: Arbor Day

Projects

New video: Invasives

Interpretive sign: Native plants (invasives) and riparian restoration

Tree inventory

Bee City USA Initiatives 2026

Invasive removal and native plantings program

No Mow March outreach campaign

Creek week outreach events

Earth Evening outreach event

Climate Challenge outreach events

National Pollinator Week activities with Garden Club- June

Leave the Leaves campaign- Fall

Increase pollinator habitat- annual plantings