

# City of Alpena

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## Arbor Day

The City of Alpena will be observing Arbor Day on Friday, April 28, 2017. This is a special day set aside for the planting of trees. In honor of Arbor Day, The Home Depot of Alpena, along with their tree supplier, will be donating and planting five Red Maple Trees within Bay View Park. Additionally, the City of Alpena will raise the Tree City USA Flag at City Hall.

Arbor Day was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska. Now, it is observed throughout the nation and the world. Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife. Trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products. Trees in our City increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautifies our community.

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The City of Alpena has been recognized as a Tree City USA community by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting endeavors.