

Jack Spadafore

Treasurer

About Me

My career in arboriculture began at UW-Stevens Point, where I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in forest management. During my tenure at UW-Stevens Point, I accepted an internship with The Davey Tree Expert Company in South St. Paul (formerly S&S Tree Specialists) as a plant healthcare technician. Upon graduation, I

returned to this position, where I expanded my expertise within the plant healthcare domain and also acquired valuable experience as a ground person on a tree crew, eventually gaining experience as a climbing arborist.



After four years in the late summer of 2020, I transferred to Davey Resource Group, Inc. (DRG) as an environmental specialist. In this role, I swiftly became proficient in the installation and maintenance of rain gardens. I also contributed to restoration projects encompassing native plantings and invasive species removal. While these experiences provided valuable knowledge, my primary focus remained on urban forestry. Since transferring to DRG, I have traveled nationally, offering expertise on various tree inventory projects, tree risk assessments, and other consulting services, ultimately advancing to site manager and leading teams of fellow arborists in data collection. Concurrently, while at DRG, I have gained extensive experience in data analysis and the presentation of this information in the form of arborist reports and urban forest management plans.

I currently hold the position of associate consultant and project manager, where I leverage my training and experience to secure and generate work for the urban forestry crew in our office. I continue to acquire knowledge daily as I navigate the logistics and economics of urban forestry services. I am presently an ISA Certified Arborist and Urban Forest Professional (MN-4765AM) and Tree Risk Assessment Qualified, with aspirations of becoming a Board Certified Master Arborist in the near future.

How can you contribute to the MSA Board of Directors?

I believe that my dedication to continuous learning, proven ability to resolve issues under pressure, and enthusiasm for collaborative efforts would be valuable assets to the MSA board. I am adept at data analysis and strategic planning to ensure efficient operations and project execution.

Why do you think you would make a good board member?

I am confident I would be a valuable board member, as I firmly believe in the power of collective intelligence and the unique contributions each individual brings to a group. I consistently strive to deliver high-quality ideas, solutions, and products when addressing tasks, and I am not hesitant to seek assistance or admit when I do not have an answer.