



Bridgewater Tree Committee

Meeting Minutes for the Meeting Convening on August 8, 2023 at 2:00 PM

A. Call to Order at 2:00 pm

B. Minutes

1) June 13th Meeting Minutes

Shirley Krasinski motioned to approve the June 13th Meeting Minutes which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

2) July 11th Meeting Minutes

Shirley Krasinski motioned to approve the July 11th Meeting Minutes which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

C. Old Business

a) Recommended Trees

James reviewed the shortlist that he and Pat had submitted. The list includes 15 common names and would be offered to the Planning Board to distribute to any applicants that would be planting trees. The "large" list for the public will continue to be developed and included in the pamphlet that is being planned.

James Hayes-Bohanan motioned to forward the shortlist to the Planning Board for their review which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

b) Tree City

Nicole discussed the next steps in the application for Bridgewater to become a Tree City. The Town Manager will need to sign off on the application before submission.

c) Shade Tree Ordinance

Josh submitted the first 4 sections of the Shade Tree Ordinance for the committee to review. The committee feels that additional definitions can be included, and the chair will ask Bill to review the Tree Warden section.

d) Forestry Department

The committee will continue to reach out to the Town Manager and the committee will request that the Town Manager attend a subcommittee meeting, the second week in September, to discuss the tree city application and forestry department.

e) Tree Ordinance

This will be reviewed at the September Meeting with Bill and Josh.

f) Pamphlets on Trees for the Public

The committee is still considering what information should be added to the pamphlets and will further discuss at the September meeting.

g) Possible Fall Projects

The committee is considering plantings for the fall with locations to be proposed at the meeting in August.

D. New Business



Crescent Street Trees

- a)** Four street trees have been cut down to clear the area for solar panels. The committee will bring the violation to the Town Manager for action.

E. Adjournment of Meeting

Shirley Krasinski motioned to adjourn at 3:04pm which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Submitted by: Joshua McGraw