



Bridgewater Tree Committee

Meeting Minutes for the Meeting Convening on July 11, 2023 at 2:00 PM

A. Call to Order at 2:00 pm

B. Minutes

1) June 13th Meeting Minutes

The committee will vote the minutes at the August meeting.

C. Old Business

1) Recommended Trees

Pat updated the committee on the preparation of the list. James and Pat have been working off the existing list as well as incorporating the list from the Town of Framingham. Two lists are being proposed, one short list for subdivisions and a second list as a "general" list.

2) 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.

3) Tree Watering

The treegators are on the newly planted trees at Marathon Park.

4) Forestry Department

Paul has recommended a 50ft bucket truck, forestry department foreman, and a forestry department and laborer.

Shirley Krasinski motioned to send a list of necessities to create the forestry department with an estimated cost of \$225,000. The motion was approved unanimously.

5) Tree Mitigation Recommendation

Nicole shared the proposed mitigation for protected trees, clear cutting, and open space restoration.

6) 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 August meeting.

7) Garden Club Offer

The Garden Club would like to host a joint event with the Tree Committee that would possibly include a tree planting.



8) Possible Fall Projects

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

D. Adjournment of Meeting

Shirley Krasinski motioned to adjourn at 3:36pm which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Submitted by: Joshua McGraw