



Bridgewater Tree Committee

Meeting Minutes for the Meeting Convening on September 14, 2023 at 2:00 PM

A. Call to Order at 2:00 pm

Members in Attendance: Raymond Ajemian, Shirley Krasinski, Patricia Neary, Nicole Holmes, James Hayes-Bohanan, Paul Decosta, Bill Maltby

B. Minutes

a) August 8th, 2023

Shirley Krasinski motioned to approve the August 8th, 2023 meeting minutes which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

C. Old Business

a) Recommended Trees

The planning board has received the recommended trees list and will utilize the list moving forward.

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) Tree Ordinance

Bill and Josh presented the completed work for the Tree Ordinance, sections 1-4. Section 5 will be shown at the next meeting.

d) Forestry Department/Bucket Truck

The Town Manager will provide a response for the Forestry Department and Bucket Truck by the next meeting.

e) Pamphlets on Trees for the Public

The committee continues to consider public outreach in the form of Pamphlets.

f) Garden Club Offer

No updates for this meeting.

g) Fall Projects

The Bridgewater Improvement Association purchased 10 Herbie trees that will be delivered next Spring. The BIA has asked for a recommendation from the Tree Committee for locations to plant the trees.

h) Crescent Street Trees



This has been brought to the attention of the Town Manager. The committee is looking into adding the current tree ordinance to make the public aware of tree clearing requirements.

D. New Business

a) Proposed Forum

The committee is considering a forum to help educate the public. A forum is being planned for early spring 2024.

b) Senior Center Planting

The Bridgewater Senior Center has reached out to the committee regarding the planting of 6 trees.

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