



## **Bridgewater Tree Committee**

### **Meeting Minutes for the Meeting Convening on April 9, 2024 at 2:00 PM**

#### **A. Call to Order at 2:03 pm**

**Members in Attendance:** Raymond Ajemian, Nicole Holmes, Shirley Krasinski, Pat Neary

#### **B. Minutes**

##### **a) March 12, 2024**

*Shirley Krasinski motioned to approve the March 12, 2024 meeting minutes which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.*

#### **C. Old Business**

##### **a) Tree City**

The National Arbor Day Foundation has confirmed that Bridgewater is officially recognized as a Tree City.

*Nicole Holmes motioned to order 10 "Tree City USA" signs at a cost of \$190 which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.*

*Nicole Holmes motioned to order 3 "Tree Handbooks" at the cost of \$4.99 each which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.*

##### **b) Arbor Day Poster Contest**

The posters are on display in the Academy Building on the second floor.

##### **c) Tree Forum**

The Tree Forum was a success with many participants in attendance.

##### **d) Forestry Update**

There are new job descriptions being worked on that include a tree warden and forestry department. The bucket truck is being considered for a later capital plan.

##### **e) Arbor Day Tree Planting**

The tree planting will be taking place at the Williams School in the parking lot island, the tree will be a dogwood or a comparable tree. The stump at the location will be removed and replaced with this tree.

*Shirley Krasinski motioned to approve the purchase of a pagoda dogwood or comparable tree for the Arbor Day planting to not exceed \$800 which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.*



**f) Tree Ordinance**

The committee will review the finalized ordinance in May.

**g) Tree List**

The tree list is still being reviewed.

**h) Broad Street Sidewalk**

There are three street trees that are buckling the sidewalk panels which need to be replaced. The Highway Department is proposing that the trees are replaced with native trees that would not cause future issues.

**D. Adjournment of Meeting**

**The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm.**

**Submitted by: Joshua McGraw**