



Town of Bridgewater Tree Committee

November 18, 2025

2:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 879 2548 4948

MEETING AGENDA

Disclosure: Pursuant to Section 20 of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2020, An Act Relative to Extending Certain Covid-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency, and the June 30, 2027, extension granted by Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, this meeting for the Town of Bridgewater will be fully remote and accessible to the public through remote participation to the greatest extent possible. No in-person attendance is permitted. Citizens who wish to tune in to the meeting may do so via Zoom.

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Approval of Meeting Minutes**
 - a) September 9, 2025
 - b) October 14, 2025
- C. Public Comment**
- D. Old Business**
 - a) Tree City 2026 Update
 - b) Tree Plantings for the Fall
 - c) The Common Trees - Spraying Update
 - d) Forum Review
- E. New Business**
 - a) Discuss Anticipated Grant Proposals
 - b) Spring Planting Schedule
 - c) Council Presentation for Next Year
- F. Additional Items for Discussion**
- G. Adjournment of Meeting**



Bridgewater Tree Committee

Meeting Minutes for the Meeting Convening on September 9, 2025, at 2:00 PM

A. Call to Order at 2:00 pm

Members in Attendance: Raymond Ajemian, Shirley Krasinski, Nicole Holmes, Paul Decosta, Justin Casanova-Davis, Brian McMahon – Tree Warden

B. Public Comment

Janet Hanson – Pleasant Street – Concerns with mitigation with tree cutting, referral process between boards, commissions, and committees.

C. Minutes

D. Introduction of New Town Manager

The committee introduced itself to the new Town Manager. Topics included the Shade Tree and Tree Mitigation Ordinance, Trees on the Common, and the committee’s budget. The committee is interested in a Tree Survey.

E. Old Business

a) Tree City 2026

Tree City requires \$2 per capita to remain a “Tree City” and could be used as a benchmark for a budget moving forward. Applications have not opened up, however, the committee anticipates another poster contest for 2026.

b) Tree Plantings for the Fall

The committee discussed tree planting on main street to replace the 6 recently removed trees.

c) The Common Trees

The committee discussed the threat to ash and beach trees that the town faces with the invasive species. The committee will research preventative spraying and a landscape architect for a long-term outlook.

Shirley Krasinski motioned that the committee explore a landscape architect for the common which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

d) Fall Forum – Discussion under new business

F. New Business

a) Discussion of topics and speakers for forum – October 22nd

The committee discussed the upcoming forum and proposed presentations to be offered.

b) How best to work with BIA and town committees

The committee will work with BIA for collaboration on tree projects.



c) Other

G. Adjournment of Meeting

Pat Neary motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:12pm which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:12pm.

Submitted by: Joshua McGraw



Bridgewater Tree Committee

Meeting Minutes for the Meeting Convening on October 14, 2025, at 2:00 PM

A. Call to Order at 2:00 pm

Members in Attendance: Raymond Ajemian, Pat Neary, Nicole Holmes,

B. Public Comment

Janet Hanson – Pleasant Street –

C. Minutes

September 9, 2025 – Will be voted at the next meeting.

D. Old Business

a) Tree City 2026

The application is due by the end of the year, Nicole Holmes will prepare and submit once complete.

b) Tree Plantings for the Fall

The committee discussed tree planting on main street to replace the 6 recently removed trees.

c) The Common Trees

The Tree Warden is looking into the possible spraying of the common trees to ensure their survival.

d) Fall Forum - Finalize

e) Meeting with the Town Manager - Update

The chair will reach out to the Town Manager regarding the tree ordinance that was worked on by the committee over the last year.

E. New Business

a) Discuss grant proposal possibilities for next year

Nicole Holmes is exploring grants available through the state.

b) How best to work with BIA and town committees

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c) Other

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