

Tree Committee Minutes

Meeting date and place: September 16, 2021 via Zoom, 6:30pm

Attendance: Committee members: Claudia Woods, Fred Chanania, Rita Wollmering, Molly Hawkins, Nicolas Forestell. Absent: Francesca Pomerantz, Wayne Amaral

Agenda Item	Outcome
Approval of the July minutes	Deferred until October meeting.
Committee membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to moving out of town, Rita Wollmering will be resigning from TC. • Nicolas Forestell was nominated and voted in as an Adjunct Member of the TC.
Final Report on Community Tree Survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Final Report has been revised and comments have been incorporated into the report over the summer. The information presented in the report will be useful to the Planning and Select Boards, as well as the Open Space Committee and Conservation Commission. The motion was made by FC to adopt the Report to be shared with the public at large and shared with the Town boards and committees. Vote was unanimous approval. • Next step is to present Report findings to Select Board and Planning Board.
Tree seedling nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With the departure of RW, who was leading the effort to establish the tree nursery, collaboration with WN Garden Club and WN Wild and Native is necessary to help with seasonal work with the nursery. FC would like TC to provide technical help on seed collection and planting, and to have day to day care to be put into the hands of other committees. Space needed for raised beds is approximately 30' x 50'. Water supply is needed. • TC members will collect seeds while they are available this fall and store over the winter. FC has 24 shagbark hickory seeds and some Bur Oak acorns. Oak acorns should be collected soon. • FC or MH will again try to contact St. John's Retreat about the raised beds.
Addition to Roster - Riverbend Black Tupelo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to approve this tree to the roster, based on nomination form, approved unanimously
Beech Grove on Middle Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FC visited and thinks it might be worthy of nomination.
Publicity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native tree information on website was well received; Claudia publicized over summer. • Need to finalize publicity piece for release of Final Report on community tree survey
Next meeting (no August meeting)	Committee will meet on October 21 at 6:30pm
Adjournment	7:30 PM