

Minutes of West Newbury Tree Committee Meeting (Virtual) Thursday, January 20, 2022, 6:30 PM

Present: Fred Chania, Claudia Woods, Molly Hawkins, Kelly Scott, Francesca Pomerantz

Review minutes	Approved Minutes from December 2021 meeting without change.
Updates on recent submittals - town annual report, Tree City application, Grant reimbursement, FY 2023 Budget	All have been submitted. Wayne included TC budget in his DPW budget.
Planning for Arbor Day celebration - activities, tree ordering, publicity	TC will do tree give-away again, will do a tree walk for the community, and have already ordered 100 seedlings from NH tree nursery. Fred will contact Bartlett's for donation of tree seedlings - native trees only. Molly suggested planting project/tree seed planting in the fall for families – go on walk, gather seeds, plant. Kelly reported that Sandra Goodrich, advisor to Pentucket environmental club and science teacher, will help spread the word about Arbor Day and will ask student volunteers to make posters. TC will need to review posters. Kelly will let Sandra know.
Letter about native trees at Pentucket School	Claudia will draft the letter. TC will edit and then consider
Tree Roster nominations	approval at next meeting. Claudia will do publicity to find out if anyone wants to nominate additional trees for the roster.
Update on tree walk signs at Mill Pond	Molly will reach out to open space committee to communicate the plan. Nicholas wants to create signs/tree tags for Mill Pond trees.
Tree donations	Donors can write a check for \$150-\$200 to Town of West Newbury and in memo line write West Newbury Tree Committee as donation and TC will order the tree from Chestnut Ridge Nursery. Fred will reach out to Wayne about where to plant. Fred will find out about plinth marker and will work with Claudia on this. NOTE ON POST-MEETING DEVELOPMENTS: Fred suggested making tree ordering and memorial plinth a private matter for Claudia and no need to involve the TC.
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm