



## West Newbury Tree Committee

### Minutes of West Newbury Tree Committee G.A.R. Memorial Library Thursday, July 21, 2022, 5:10 PM

In Attendance: Fred Chanania, Claudia Woods, Molly Hawkins, Susan Dougherty, Kelly Scott, and Nicolas Forestall

1. Election of officers: The following were elected unanimously for FY 2023
  - a. Chair - Fred Chanania
  - b. Vice-Chair - Molly Hawkins
  - c. Secretary - Kelly Scott
  - d. Treasurer - Molly Hawkins
  - e. Outreach Coordinator - Nicolas Forestall
  - f. Publicity - Claudia Woods
2. Tree City Award:
  - a. Signs and a banner were presented to BOS; plaque placed in the lobby of the town offices
  - b. Jennifer Solis wrote an article in the Daily News.
  - c. Signs can be seen as you enter West Newbury from Newburyport or Groveland on Rte. 113
3. Update - Possible Project - installation of shade trees at Page School and Action Cove playgrounds:
  - a. 10, 6-8 foot trees at each playground
  - b. Bartlett's to install the trees, Peter Dryden could be hired for watering
  - c. Fred is waiting on estimates so he can present to the Select Board.
  - d. Early estimate of \$5-7 thousand with installation and watering for the next couple years.
  - e. Celebration event should be scheduled after the trees are planted. This might include other committees and perhaps the Pentucket Environmental Club. Targeting 2nd weekend in September or 1st weekend in October for planting and celebration, depending on funding.
4. Signs for the Mill Pond Tree walk:
  - a. Fred and Nicolas will finalize the proposed signs, using committee feedback
  - b. Discussion of final sign proposal at next meeting
5. Tree Committee Priority List for FY 2023:
  - a. Fall:
    - i. Tree Trail Completion and dedication event
    - ii. Playground Trees - planting and dedication events
    - iii. Project Coordination with other stakeholders - e.g. WN Wild and Native, Garden Club, Conservation Com.
      1. Town Office tree planting and barberry removal
  - b. Spring:
    - i. Neighborhood Tree Walks
    - ii. Arbor Day Event - schedule earlier to maximize planting?
  - c. Tree City USA Recertification by 12/31 - Fred to handle
  - d. Coordination with Planning Board - Fred to handle
  - e. More Entries on Significant and Remarkable Tree Roster
6. FY 2023 items:
  - a. Tree Seedlings \$200
  - b. Member Training \$300

- c. Mass Arborist Assoc. \$210
- d. Mass Forestry \$110
- e. Planting of Tree \$700
- f. Signs for Mill Pond \$300

7. Meeting Time/Location Discussion:

- a. Next Meeting August 18th
- b. Thursdays at 5 pm work for all
- c. Every other meeting via Zoom
- d. Next In-Person Meeting 9/15 5 pm @ G.A.R. Memorial Library

8. Items Not Reasonably Anticipated - none

9. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn seconded and approved; meeting adjourned 6:35 PM