



## West Newbury Tree Committee

### Minutes of Meeting of West Newbury Tree Committee

Location: Remote on Zoom

Thursday, February 16, 2023, 5:30 PM

Present: Fred Chanania, Molly Hawkins, Claudia Woods, Susan Doherty, Kelly Scott, Albert Ting (public attendee).

Convened Meeting at 5:30	
1. January Meeting Minutes	Upon motion made and seconded, approved unanimously by those present in January.
2. Champion Trees	<p>The Haack's Black Oak is officially a Champion Tree. Claudia announced on social media. Jen Solis may still run an article in the Daily News. We are still waiting to hear from DCR about the Balsam Poplar off Main Street and the Tupelo on the Riverbend Trail.</p> <p>Public visit to the Black Oak should be part of Arbor Day activities.</p>
3. Arbor Day Planning	<p>Saturday April 29, 2023 schedule:</p> <p>9:30 – 10 am Children's program at the G.A.R. Library</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kelly and Kate Gove will plan/run this.</li> </ul> <p>10 – 11:30 –Tree giveaway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tables set up outside library main entrance – Kelly</li> <li>Need pots, soil; Fred has wooden markers</li> <li>Molly, Fred, and Kelly will pot and mark the trees</li> <li>Trees include Red Oak, Black Walnut, Paper Birch, Sugar Maple, Silver Maple</li> </ul> <p>12 – 1pm –Tree walk at the Haack property</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion about parking on Rt. 113 and need to involve West Newbury PD for traffic cones - Molly will contact WNPd</li> </ul>
4. Spring Town Meeting	<p>Select Board approved article for \$60,000 every other year for treatment of Ash trees. It needs to be presented to FinCom and will be voted on at Spring Town Meeting.</p> <p>Discussion of Tree Committee role in presentation at Town Meeting</p>
5. Grants and Outreach	Claudia will put together an Arbor Day media plan for next TC meeting. Kelly is still working with Pentucket Environmental Club for Education of the public regarding Ash trees.
6. Knapp's Farm	Fred reported no change of ownership yet and no plans to develop the property have been filed.
7. Training Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fred will be going to a training on identifying plants.</li> <li>Fred will circulate information regarding other potential training opportunities.</li> </ul>

8. Next Meeting	Thursday, March 16 <sup>th</sup> , remote on Zoom, 5:30 pm
9. Meeting Adjourned	Adjourned at 6:16