

WEST NEWBURY TREE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date and Place: 1:00 pm, Thursday, May 21, 2020, GoToMeeting platform

Members present: Fred Chanania, Jane Martin, Molly Hawkins, Francesca Pomerantz, Barbara Haack, Claudia Wood; absent: Wayne Amaral

AGENDA ITEM	OUTCOME
1. Minutes review	Minutes of 4/16 meeting were approved 5-0 with minor correction.
2. Can Trees Talk? Article	CW and FC edited article to be more approachable for public. CW will send article to the Daily News without mention of Tree Committee so be more universal. Next article is going to be about the Thurlows and Cherry Hill Nursery, and we are waiting for a face-to-face interview with John Thurlow's brother. New "Trees Matter" articles will be posted monthly or bi-monthly. JM would like to make it a habit for the public to look for new postings monthly by encouraging viewers to look for the next update. BH will inquire with the Historical Commission to see if there are other contacts in town for an interview.
3. New Associate Member recruitment	BH will ask Kathy Mandeville to post announcement in the Garden Club's newsletter.
4. Process for Significant and Remarkable Tree nominations	Budgeted funds will need to be processed and released by Town Manager to buy necessary measuring equipment. BH and MH will fill out nomination forms for their respective remarkable trees.
5. Tree Cover Preservation Project	FC has taken a course that has delineated action items to conserve tree cover and forests in light of climate change. Will send out the final plan to committee members for informational purposes only.
6. Arbor Day Tree City application	CW has suspended application, needs to check on WN bylaws to make sure we have appropriate contents to satisfy requirements to become a Tree City.
7. Other business	JM would like an ID of wildflowers and tree stand on Moulton St
8. Action Items	BH and MH to fill out S&R tree nominations BH to ask Historical Commission for leads on interviews BH to ask Garden Club to advertise TC membership openings CW will recheck with ADF for certification as Tree City CW to send Tree Talk article to Daily News FC will send out Climate Change plan
Adjournment	2:15 pm

The next meeting will be Thursday June 18, 2020, at 1:00 pm on GoToMeeting platform.