

# WEST NEWBURY TREE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date and Place: 1:00 pm, Thursday, July 16, 2020, GoToMeeting platform

Members present: Fred Chanania, Jane Martin, Francesca Pomerantz, Barbara Haack, Claudia Woods.

Absent: Molly Hawkins, Wayne Amaral.

AGENDA ITEM	OUTCOME
1. Minutes review	Minutes of 6/17 meeting were approved with changes 4-0-1.
2. Update on Website	Website had some additions, mainly additional links to resources. Much more updates to follow shortly.
3. Update on DCR Grant	Forms needed to be re-signed. No word that final State signature has been obtained, which must occur before any funds can be expended and reimbursed. FC to follow up on status with Julie Coop of DCR.
4. New Associate Member recruitment	No news from Garden Club. BH to follow up with them and her acquaintances.
5. Next steps for Significant and Remarkable Tree nominations	JM circulated the 5 nomination forms to members for review. Until measuring equipment can be ordered, no action will be taken on these nomination forms.
6. Article on Climate Change	Committee approved posting of this next bi-monthly article on climate change and the future of WN forests. CW to coordinate publicity (email blast, social media notices); FC to post on website.
7. Campaign to Eradicate Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion about recent events, i.e., Wayne Amaral hiring Bartletts to assess Mill Pond and Pipestave area for EAB damage; FC's talk with Bartletts Tree arborist about cooperative efforts.</li> <li>• Committee members agreed with idea to schedule a virtual Q&amp;A session in August with Bartletts experts available to answer questions about EAB. Purpose is to kick off TC campaign to eradicate EAB in West Newbury.</li> <li>• Next bi-monthly article should address EAB threats and remedies.</li> <li>• Need a flyer and promotional paragraph on the EAB campaign for review. The flyer and promo will contain more details on the problem, on the virtual Q&amp;A session, and will seek to encourage public participation.</li> <li>• JM will finalize flyer and take care of distribution; CW to coordinate with JM publicity on media sites.</li> <li>• FC will contact Wayne and Angus Jennings to alert them to TC campaign idea and plans. It is also hoped that the BOS can become active in engaging the community on the EAB problem</li> </ul>

8. Other business	<p>FC to circulate for review MH's draft plan on planning for tree removals and replacement. Reminder to ensure appropriate species to re-plant.</p> <p>If interested, reminder to register to get information on Green School in October.</p> <p>FC to follow up with Julie Coop of DCR on other training usually held in October.</p> <p>CW recommended a "Quote of the Month" entry on the TC website.</p> <p>CW gave update on Tree City application process and will continue to advance the application.</p>
9. Action Items	<p>JM and CW to handle publicity for EAB campaign. FC to furnish draft of flyer and promotional paragraph for review. FC to contact Wayne and Angus about EAB campaign and schedule EAB Q&amp;A call.</p> <p>CW to circulate Tree Quotes.</p> <p>CW to continue preparation of Tree City designation.</p> <p>BH to follow up with Garden Club and friends about Associate Member notice. BH to follow up with Wayne about dead tree on Training Field.</p> <p>FC to draft new website article on EAB for Sept-Oct. FC to post approved Climate Change article. FC to contact Julie Coop about grant and training.</p>
Adjournment	2:17 pm

The next meeting will be Thursday August 20, 2020, at 1:00 pm on Zoom platform.