

Tree Board Meeting
Town of Hartford Town Hall
October 16, 2018

Mission: To plant and maintain public trees and advocate community tree stewardship

Board Members: Karen Watson, Tim Covell, Carole Haehnel, Deborah Milne, Clare Forseth

Others: Scott Hausler, Director Parks & Recreation, Keven Stuart, Liaison Parks & Recreation

Education/Current Trends and Practices: Clare gave an update on Emerald Ash Borer from informational email. Clare shared a DBH tree measuring device.

Minutes: The September 18, 2018 minutes were unanimously approved as is.

Old Business:

- Tree Warden Update and ideas for disseminating his Recommendations of Native Species. Although more discussion is needed in the future, it was offered that a tree list could be given out during tree walks and at our annual Tree and Shrub Sale.
- Tree Walk Schedule update:
 - The October Tree walk was successful and all participants mentioned that they were informed of the walk by reading the sandwich board at the Town Hall and at the site.
 - March 16, 2019: Brad and Tim Rt 5 from Park and Ride to Rt 14.
 - June 22, 2019: Deborah and Karen: Behind Dothan Brook School
 - September 21, 2019: Carole and new members. Place to be determined
- Landscape Guidelines for Parking Lots:
 - Clare presented the revised parking lot diagrams made to scale. The Board voted a “vote of confidence” so Clare and Karen can finish the Guidelines and submit them to Jo-Ann Ells at Planning and Zoning.
- Tree Board Openings:
 - Scott will talk to Lana in the Town Manager’s Office to make her aware of the possibility of two openings on the board. Other members were encouraged to look for new members and use Hartford list-serve to advertise the openings.
- Tree ID Signage:
 - Scott continues to work with Hunter Noyes who has an OK from his scoutmasters and has begun to research the trees at Maxfield Sports Complex.
 - Clare will check and email Scott any trees that were not on the original list.
- Town Hall Tree Plantings:
 - We would like to have signage on the trees dedicated to Leo.
 - There will be a celebration for Leo on October 30th and the board hopes to present a “proclamation” of sorts to Leo from the board.
- News from Conservation Commission: None
- Field Trip for Board: Karen was impressed with the “tour” that Northern Nursery gave her as she was picking out trees for Leo. The Board would like to tour the Nursery sometime next year.

Agenda items for November meeting: New officer nominations. Tree Board Openings. Strategic Plan?

Meeting Adjourned: 6:58

Respectfully submitted: Clare Forseth

Signed by _____ Date _____