

Yarmouth Tree Committee Agendas/Note

Meeting: Feb, 27, 2023, 12-1pm ET

Location: YCS

Attendance: Karyn MacNeill, Lisa Small, Susan Prescott, Rebecca Rundquist, Scott Couture, Lisa Wilson, Steve Ryan, Michael Brandimarte, Dave Craig

1. Call meeting to order at 12:03pm
2. Committee vote to accept meeting minutes from last meeting, 2/8/2023
 - 2.1. Yes, with attached Recommended Tree Protection Measures
3. Current Business
 - 3.1. Planning Board meeting
 - 3.1.1. Lisa introduced two documents: Recommended Tree lists and Tree Protection Measures
 - 3.1.2. Planning board was very receptive to tree related guidance documents
 - 3.1.3. There was some uncertainty about what the tree warden's guidance and recommendations. Lisa would prefer that tree warden's recommendations are in writing.
 - 3.1.4. Tree warden's advice will be in line with tree related guidelines and advice from documents that define the standard.
 - 3.1.5. Questions/requests for clarification about tree related issues that come to tree committee members should be directed to town employees; specifically Yarmouth's Tree Warden.
 - 3.1.6. YTAC requested Tree Warden's write ups about tree recommendations be publicly available and published to planning board documentation.
 - 3.2. Arbor Day: Help Needed?
 - 3.2.1. May 19th is target date. Lots of submissions for Tshirts from art classes.
 - 3.2.2. Ordered pencils and chalk.
 - 3.2.3. Target is Rowe School.
 - 3.3. BTM Project: Help Needed?
 - 3.3.1. Tree Warden has discussed with Karyn about areas of focus
 - 3.3.2. Vendor is available just need to finalize scope
 - 3.4. [Royal River Park Riverbank Rewilding Project Proposal](#)
 - 3.4.1. Conversations ongoing with Erik D. and Nick
 - 3.4.2. Karyn recommends finding a landscape architect to advise on pilot project
 - 3.4.3. Mike is presenting to the parks and lands committee on 3/1
 - 3.4.4. Karyn to send contact of Landscape architect that is currently engaged on RR park development work
 - 3.5. [Ordinance Project planning](#)
 - 3.5.1. Dave C. proposed to be done in Town Council Operations meeting. Possibly 3/23 and Dave will confirm Friday, 3/10.
 - 3.5.2. Susan has connected with South Portland and will share their tree ordinance draft with YTAC. Can be used to guide the development of Yarmouth's Tree Ordinance.
4. Other Business
 - 4.1. Schedule YTAC Annual 2023 Work Plan including Ordinance Development request to Town Council
 - 4.2. Project Canopy grant application: Help Needed?
 - 4.3. Tree Request list

- 4.3.1. YCS/Tree Warden are managing the list for tree requests
 - 4.3.2. For the moment, the tree request list is managed internally and not shared in the public
 - 4.3.3. Recommended town tree list is being distributed to Hort Resource and Estabrooks
5. Adjourn meeting