

THE MILFORD TREE COMMISSION

Minutes of the January 14, 2013 Meeting

A. ROLL CALL

Commission Members:

Bryan Mancini - Chairman
Kate Orecchio, Vice Chairman
Jim Malaney
David Skirkanich
Melissa Smith
Seny Ricardi
Jennifer Ibarra

Recording Secretary:

Annie Mecca

Absent:

David Skirkanich
Jennifer Ibarra

B. CALL TO ORDER

Bryan Mancini called the meeting to order at 7:11p.m.

C. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- Kate Orecchio made a motion to accept the minutes to the meeting on December 10th, 2012. Jim Malaney seconded the motion. The minutes from the December 10th, 2012 meeting were unanimously approved with corrections.

D. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- Financial Report - Currently, \$375.00 for Secretarial Fees, \$500.00 for Trees and Shrubs, \$1 for Travel, \$5.00 for postage, \$5.00 for Duplication, \$5.00 for Office Supplies and \$5.00 for Printing and Binding.
- Elections were held for Chairman, and two (2) Co-chairman. Jim Malaney made a motion to nominate Bryan Mancini for Chairman; Seny Ricardi seconded – it was voted on and was unanimously passed. Next Bryan Mancini made a motion to nominate Kate Orecchio for Co-Chairman; Jim Malaney seconded – it was voted on and was unanimously passed. Kate Orecchio made a motion to nominate Jim Malaney as Co-Chairman; Bryan Mancini seconded; was voted on and was unanimously passed.
- Meeting Dates - Our Meeting Dates are all confirmed in our room, Conference Room A.
- Appointments and Member Status - Dave Skirkanich, Melissa Smith and Kate Orecchio were all re-appointed. Jennifer Ibarra was in a serious car accident in December and is on the mend. She expects to be back with us in March.

E. TREE WARDEN REPORT

- No Report at this time.

F. STREET TREE MATTERS

- Mary Ellen Drive – Update: Bryan Mancini has drafted a letter to Public Works to inquire as to what happened to the 6 Cherry Trees that were taken down before Super Storm Sandy.

ARBORETUM

- Memorial Tree replacements: The Ginkgo will be replaced in the spring, as well as the Dogwood. The Sweet Gum by Cody-White will also be replaced. Carmela Deluca and the Jorgenson Family (tree to replace the giant Maple) are the new donations. Kate Orecchio suggested that some dirt should be brought in to level a portion on the Green where it dips. Bryan Mancini will inquire how that can be done; who would approve and fund this.
- Kate Orecchio will also pick up the two Gator Bags on the Green.
- The infamous sign that had been missing since Hurricane Irene was replaced and now has since gone missing once again. Bryan Mancini will ask Public Works if they happened to have found it.

H. OPEN GRANTS & GRANT APPLICATIONS

- There are no open grants at this time.

I. TREE NURSERY

- Project Update on Nursery Re-Design: The extension has been granted until June, but work will start in March (weather permitting). Bryan Mancini will keep everyone updated.

J. STREET TREE REPLACEMENTS

- Celebrating the Trees – Tree Party will be held on Sunday, March 24th, 2013 at 3:00 pm at the Milford Fine Arts Center. The public is invited.
- Beardsley Park's planting date is set for Saturday, April 27, 2013, which is also Milford's Earth Day. At 10:00 am. 20 trees are to be planted there that day.

K. EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

- None at this time.

L. INTER-AGENCY REVIEW MATTERS

- No reviews at this time.

M. ADJOURNMENT

- Seny Ricardi made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Melissa Smith seconded the motion, the committee voted and the motion was carried unanimously.
- The January 14, 2013 meeting of The Milford Tree Commission was adjourned at 7:53p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of The Milford Tree Commission held January 14, 2013 are respectfully submitted,

By: _____
Annie Mecca
Recording Secretary