# THE MILFORD TREE COMMISSION Minutes of the March 10, 2014 Meeting

A. ROLL CALL Commission Members:	Bryan Mancini - Chairman Kate Orecchio - Vice Chairman Jim Malaney - Co -Vice Chairman David Skirkanich Melissa Smith Seny Ricardi
Recording Secretary:	Annie Mecca
Absent:	David Skirkanich Melissa Smith

## **B. CALL TO ORDER**

Bryan Mancini called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

## C. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

• Kate Orecchio made a motion to accept the minutes to the meeting on January 13, 2014. Seny Ricardi seconded the motion. The minutes from the January 13, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved.

## **D. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

- Financial Report \$300 for Secretarial Fees, \$750.00 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.
- Celebration Party The Party will take place this Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm at the Fine Arts Council food, drink, Chinese auction and good times for all.

## E. TREE WARDEN REPORT

• Postings – Tom Hunt will be doing more postings going forward this year; the Commission is happy that Tom is more receptive to making the Commission aware of the tree markings.

## F. STREET TREE MATTERS

• None at this time.

## G. ARBORETUM

• Trees Across from Milford Bank – Public Works has made a request to have the 8 trees come out at the front of the Bank now and replaced before re-flowering. The replacements could be Flowering Cherries but will be confirmed before replacing. The consensus of the Commission agreed that this should be done, as well as the Commission using some of the funds for the trees.

# H. OPEN GRANTS & GRANT APPLICATIONS

• There are no open grants at this time.

## I. TREE NURSERY

• Bryan Mancini will go down to the Nursery tomorrow to check on things. The new 8 ft. Deer Fence should go in very soon. Bryan Mancini will check to see if some correspondence from Sean regarding some grant money may be awarded.

## J. STREET TREE REPLACEMENTS

• Sandy Ground Project – This project will be at the site of the Old Milford Academy. (Part of the 26 playgrounds for the Sandy Hook Shootings) Bryan Mancini got an email from Paul Piscatelli regarding the volunteer day to be held on Friday March 14<sup>th</sup>. This however is being postponed due to the freezing temperatures and the frozen ground and has been tentatively rescheduled for Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> in the morning. They want to have 6-8 trees planted, with an evergreen provided by the City (as their Christmas tree).This will be a wait-andsee decision because of the weather and the impact it will have on the trees.

# **K. EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES**

• None at this time.

# L. INTER-AGENCY REVIEW MATTERS

• 1556 New Haven Avenue – Affordable Housing Project. The plans seem to meet the requirements. Bryan Mancini has recused himself from this project. Kate Orecchio will be writing the recommendation letter.

## M. ADJOURNMENT

- Jim Malaney made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Kate Orecchio seconded the motion, the committee voted and the motion was carried unanimously.
- The March 10, 2014 meeting of The Milford Tree Commission was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of The Milford Tree Commission held March 10, 2014 are respectfully submitted,

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Annie Mecca Recording Secretary