

## **THE MILFORD TREE COMMISSION**

### ***Minutes of the April 8, 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

#### **B. CALL TO ORDER**

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

#### **C. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

- David Skirkanich made a motion to accept the minutes to the meeting on March 11, 2013. Seny Ricardi seconded the motion. The minutes from the March 11, 2013 meeting were unanimously approved with corrections.

#### **D. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

- Financial Report - As of February 28, 2013, \$300.00 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.
- Bryan Mancini will be attending the Budget Meeting on April 22, 2013 at City Hall at 7:00pm. Bryan will present the proposed budget to the Board of Alderman.
- P&Z Tree List Update & Overview – Bryan Mancini suggested to the Commission that they review the Tree List Document and propose changes to the list to make it more comprehensive and easier for contractors and landscapers to choose trees to plant in various areas, i.e., salt tolerant, etc. Everyone will review and revisit next month to create a new document. What is and is not being enforced and will revisit this document next month.
- Tree Ordinance – Bryan Mancini asked the Commission members to read over the ordinance to determine what changes if any should be made, then the new ordinance would need to be approved by the Board of Aldermen. Bryan Mancini will research

#### **E. TREE WARDEN REPORT**

- No Report at this time.

#### **F. STREET TREE MATTERS**

- None at this time.

## **ARBORETUM**

- Planting Day - for Memorial Tree replacements: The Ginkgo, The Dogwood, The Sweet Gum by Cody-White, as well as the Jorgensen Family tree (Maple) will be replaced, Russell Hunt tree in Location 14, and the Carmela DeLuca Southern Magnolia tree to be planted in Jefferson Park. The plantings of these trees are scheduled for May 11, 2013 on the Green at 9:00 am; the actual meeting place is to be determined.
- Returned Sign - Kate Orecchio indicated that Jeanne Cervin rescued our infamous sign from a Tag Sale on Central Avenue. Jim Malaney will take the sign and reinforce it so that it will remain securely fastened to the post. Bryan Mancini will take care of the post.

## **H. OPEN GRANTS & GRANT APPLICATIONS**

- There are no open grants at this time.

## **I. TREE NURSERY**

- Project Update – the first Work Day was last Saturday – they took out the 20 Beech trees to prepare them for planting, prepped others, mulched, pots taken care of, etc. This was a productive day. These work days will take place every Saturday morning at 9:00 am in April. The Nursery is located at 138 Shady Side Lane. The project is moving forward; eventually the center section will be replaced with fabric and then the road can be built.

## **J. STREET TREE REPLACEMENTS**

- Beardsley Park's planting date is set for Saturday, April 27, 2013, which is also Milford's Earth Day, and will meet at 9:00 a.m. 20 Beech Trees from our nursery, 2 trees from Milford Quality Landscaping and 9 additional trees from our nursery are to be planted there that day. This was made possible from a grant from United Illuminating. Steve Johnson will be doing Publicity for the event.

## **K. EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES**

- None at this time.

## **L. INTER-AGENCY REVIEW MATTERS**

- 1365 Boston Post Road – Sonic (where Arby's is currently) – they want to add a drive-thru - Bryan Mancini will write the recommendation letter.
- 21 Daniel Street – Eli's – adding a patio – Bryan Mancini will write the letter.
- 106 Merwin Ave. – wants to build raised patios – Bryan Mancini will write the letter.
- 1613 New Haven Ave. Bryan Mancini will suggest they plant an additional tree. Bryan Mancini will write the letter.
- Cascade Boulevard – re-review – they want to add a drive way – Bryan Mancini will write the letter.

**M. ADJOURNMENT**

- Kate Orecchio made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dave Skirkanich seconded the motion, the committee voted and the motion was carried unanimously.
- The April 8, 2013 meeting of The Milford Tree Commission was adjourned at 8:47p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of The Milford Tree Commission held April 8, 2013 are respectfully submitted,

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Annie Mecca  
Recording Secretary