

## **THE MILFORD TREE COMMISSION**

### ***Minutes of the June 10, 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 7:00 p.m.

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

- Jim Malaney made a motion to accept the minutes to the meeting on May 13, 2013. Seny Ricardi seconded the motion. The minutes from the May 13, 2013 meeting were unanimously approved with corrections.

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

- Financial Report - As of April 30, 2013, \$150.00 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 purchased three trees at Planter's Choice today. The current total in the Tree Account is zero.

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

- No Report at this time.

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

- Bryan Mancini received an email from two neighbors on Pearl Hill Street regarding two trees that were cut down. Kate Orecchio indicated that there was only one tree that is dead. Bryan Mancini is going to take a drive down there tonight after the meeting to take a look at it. Another neighbor there, Sean, might have cut down the dead one. Bryan Mancini suggested that the Little Leaf Linden be used to replace the dead tree.

**G. ARBORETUM**

- Kate Orecchio noted that a dead Dogwood needs to be removed in the center of the Green.
- Kate Orecchio also indicated that she received a telephone request for a memorial tree.
- Returned Sign - Jim Malaney still has the sign, and Bryan Mancini will order an arm to hang the sign properly.

**H. OPEN GRANTS & GRANT APPLICATIONS**

- There are no open grants at this time.

**I. TREE NURSERY**

- Project Update – Bryan Mancini indicated that the Weed Fabric had been finished, and the stake lines have been installed. Bryan and others from the Commission will meet there on Wednesday night, June 12, 2013 at 7:00pm to perform any work that needs to be finished. Then the Nursery Project will be completed.

**J. STREET TREE REPLACEMENTS**

- Opal Avenue – Bryan Mancini purchased 2 Red Maples and 1 Little Leaf Linden. Bryan Mancini indicated that one of his customers on Opal Avenue would like to have two trees planted by his house. Bryan Mancini suggested that the two Red Maples go in that location.

**K. APPROVED TREE LIST FOR PLANNING & ZONING**

- The current list continues to be reviewed and discussed; Bryan Mancini suggested also adding Green Pillar Pin Oak to the list, and Jim Malaney suggested that Truffle Oak should also be added.

**L. EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES**

- None at this time.

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

- Synagogue in Woodmont –They are taking a tree down in the back of the building; however, there is more replacement tree listed on the blueprints. The recommendation would be that they plant one to two trees in front of the property. Bryan Mancini will write the recommendation letter.
- 121 West Town Street - They are tearing down an office building and the house next door to build an apartment complex. They want to change the zoning, but there is no specific information regarding that. They also want to remove a very large Linden tree. This tree is too significant to be cut down. All efforts by this building company should be made to save this tree and a recommendation made in order to preserve the character of the neighborhood and save the tree they should consider shifting the entire project back 25 feet. Bryan Mancini will write the recommendation letter.
- 1201 Boston Post Road – Bus Stop at Westfield Mall - They are proposing a new walk and an area for buses to pick up and drop off shoppers. They will put in new trees and plants. Bryan Mancini will write the recommendation letter.

#### **N. ADJOURNMENT**

- Melissa Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Kate Orecchio seconded the motion, the committee voted and the motion was carried unanimously.
- The June 10, 2013 meeting of The Milford Tree Commission was adjourned at 7:49p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of The Milford Tree Commission held June 10, 2013 are respectfully submitted,

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