THE MILFORD TREE COMMISSION

Minutes of the December 14, 2009 Meeting

A. ROLL CALL

Commission Members Present:

Alternates: Recording Secretary: Absent: Bryan Mancini - Chairman Kate Orecchio, Vice Chairman Mary Ludwig Dave Skirkanich, (George Noyes) Annie Mecca Irwin Langewisch, George Noyes, Jim Malaney

B. CALL TO ORDER

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

C. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Mary Ludwig made a motion to accept the minutes to the meeting of November 9, 2009. Kate Orecchio seconded the motion. The minutes from the November 9, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved.

D. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- Financial Report Bryan provided a copy of the Financial Report.
- \$300.00 left for Secretarial Fees, \$500.00 for Trees, \$1.00 for Travel, \$50.00 for postage, \$50.00 for Duplication, \$50.00 for Office Supplies and \$25.00 for Printing and Binding.
- Term Expiration for Kate Orecchio, Dave Skirkanich, and Irwin Langewisch occurs on December 31, 2009. Kate and Dave have expressed renewing; Irwin Langewisch was not available. The Mayor will make the recommendations.
- Linda Stock, the newly elected City Clerk has requested that the Milford Tree Commission re-elect their Chairman and Vice-Chairman, as well as set dates for the 2010 meetings.

E. TREE WARDEN REPORT

• Wendy Valleau of Bonsilene Street in Milford would like a tree in the front lawn, possibly a Red Maple. This will wait until the spring now.

F. STREET TREE MATTERS

• None to report at this time.

G. ARBORETUM

• Per Bryan Mancini, Gator Bags need to be removed.

OPEN GRANTS & GRANT APPLICATIONS

- 04-05 CDBG–Brochures, Signs and Tags:
- Bryan Mancini emailed Steve Wing as to the status of their delivery. Steve indicated he was waiting on something before that could be completed.
- Mary Ludwig received the Brochure Proof, which is full of errors. Mary is proofing and will provide corrections on a word document highlighted in yellow.
- Kate Orecchio will check with Dan Worrel regarding the signs.
- Bryan Mancini inquired of the City Clerk's office (Bonnie Peloso) to provide the tree ordinances. Bonnie indicated that unless Bryan knew exactly what they were named, she didn't have the time to locate them.
- 08-09 USFS Greening of the Post Road Phase 3
- Mary Ludwig and Kate Orecchio went to Planter's Choice to pick out the 40 trees for the Greening Project. Planter's Choice gave them a break and even gave them 5 extra trees. They both had a great time. There were some issues at the nursery during delivery, but everything was resolved, thanks to the ladies and Public Works' help.
- The Saturn people changed their minds about the four trees that were to be planted in front of the dealership. They also removed a State tree without permission. Those trees had been planted, and Kate must now make arrangements to have them moved to the cemetery.
- NOs: Post Road News, Athenia Diner, Mama Teresa's and M&M Farms.
- Dave Skirkanich suggested that he speak to the Saturn owner, Mr. Scopp and try to convince him to keep the trees.
- The Post Road Greening Grant has been extended to June 2010. Linda Stock signed the Certification of Incumbency and the Mayor also signed the copies.

I. TREE INVENTORY / MANAGEMENT PLAN

• Tabled until winter months.

J. STORM DAMAGE ASSESMENT

• Tabled until Spring.

K. TREE NURSERY

• Trees need to be mulched in for the Winter.

L. STREET TREE REPLACEMENTS

• None at this time.

M. TREE ORDINANCE

• Bryan Mancini has distributed the ordinance to the Tree Commission members – Bryan will send again so members can make any changes or edits over the next two years.

N. EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

• None at this time.

O. INTER-AGENCY REVIEW MATTERS

• Future Chase Bank – 1651 Boston Post Road (former Dakota Restaurant). Bryan Mancini noticed that workers balled and wrapped in burlap the Blue Spruces and most of all the other plants and removed them from this site – possible replanting at the Orange Chase branch.

P. ADJOURNMENT

- Mary Ludwig moved to adjourn the meeting, Bryan Mancini seconded the motion, the committee voted and the motion was carried unanimously.
- The December 14, 2009 meeting of The Milford Tree Commission was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of The Milford Tree Commission held December 14, 2009 are respectfully submitted,

By: ____

Annie Mecca Recording Secretary