

THE MILFORD TREE COMMISSION

Minutes of the March 14, 2011 Meeting

A. ROLL CALL

Commission Members Present:

Bryan Mancini - Chairman
Kate Orecchio, Vice Chairman
Mary Ludwig
Jim Malaney
Dave Skirkanich

Recording Secretary:

Annie Mecca

Absent:

George Noyes, Mary Ludwig

B. CALL TO ORDER

Bryan Mancini called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

C. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- Dave Skirkanich made a motion to accept the minutes to the meeting of January 10, 2011. Jim Malaney seconded the motion. The minutes from the January 10, 2011 meeting were unanimously approved.

D. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- Financial Report –\$225.00 for Secretarial Fees, \$500.00 for Trees and Shrubs, \$1 for Travel, \$25.00 for postage, \$50 for Duplication, \$25.00 for Office Supplies and \$25 for Printing and Binding. Fund transfers were made from the following categories; \$1.00 from Travel, \$15.00 each from Duplication, Office and Printing and Binding, \$29.00 from Postage to be put into the Secretarial fees.
- Rules Policies & Procedures – changes were discussed and approved. Bryan Mancini will make the changes and deliver to the appropriate office.

E. TREE WARDEN REPORT

- There are 2 large dead trees on the Post Road at the front of Milford Crossing Mall and in front of Barnes & Noble. Kate Orecchio will notify Public Works for take down and removal.

F. STREET TREE MATTERS

- Nothing to report.

G. ARBORETUM

- Vote from Parks, Beach and Recreation Commission: We are awaiting Parks, Beach and Recreation Commission's vote to authorize the Tree Commission to oversee the care and pruning of the trees in the Arboretum.
- Open PO for \$500.00 to purchase new trees.
- Kate Orecchio reported that Steve Wing will check with Ed Vaughn on a suitable replacement for large Norway Maple & 2 crabapples at High Street crossover.
- Two shade trees were suggested.
- Sign across from Lafayette Street has been found and replaced.

H. OPEN GRANTS & GRANT APPLICATIONS

- 04-05 CDBG– in-town Arboretum– Kate Orecchio will check on the status of this grant to learn if it is still open. Some money was transferred to Milford Trees to pay for maps.

I. TREE INVENTORY / MANAGEMENT PLAN

- Tabled.

J. STORM DAMAGE ASSESMENT

- Tabled.

K. TREE NURSERY

- Tabled for now.

L. STREET TREE REPLACEMENTS

- Open PO to purchase trees - \$500.00 is allocated for the purchase of two trees for High Street at the end of the Green. The Commission will also consider the replacement for the English Elm.

M. EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

- None at this time.

N. INTER-AGENCY REVIEW MATTERS

- Four Reviews were completed and recommendations will be made:
- McDonald's on Bridgeport Avenue
- Monroe Street
- "Bridges" Community Service Foundation on Bridgeport Avenue
- Pond Point Avenue

O. ADJOURNMENT

- Jim Malaney moved to adjourn the meeting, Dave Skirkanich seconded the motion, the committee voted and the motion was carried unanimously.
- The March 14, 2011 meeting of The Milford Tree Commission was adjourned at 7:12p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of The Milford Tree Commission held March 14, 2011 are respectfully submitted,

By: _____
Annie Mecca
Recording Secretary