

THE MILFORD TREE COMMISSION

Minutes of the August 13, 2018 Meeting

A. ROLL CALL

Commission Members:

Bryan Mancini - Chairman
Kate Orecchio - Vice Chairman
Jim Malaney - Co -Vice Chairman
David Skirkanich
Kelly Miller

Recording Secretary:

Annie Mecca

B. CALL TO ORDER

Bryan Mancini called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

C. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- Kate Orecchio made a motion to accept the minutes to the meeting on June 11, 2018. David Skirkanich seconded the motion. The minutes from the June 11, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.

D. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- Financial Report – As of July 31, 2018, the Financial Report is as follows: \$600.00 in Secretarial Fees, \$1,000.00 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.

E. TREE WARDEN REPORT / STREET TREE MATTERS

- Todd and Debbie Bartosiewicz, of 7 Robert Dennis Drive, Milford, CT, 06460, attended tonight's meeting to inquire as to when either the City of Milford or the State of Connecticut was coming to remove all the Ash trees in their neighborhood. The trees are either diseased or dead and are causing an eye sore on their street. Bryan Mancini and David Skirkanich indicated to the Bartosiewicz's that the Milford Tree Commission would be willing to replace the trees as soon as either the City or the State can remove the existing trees and replace them with something disease-resistant.

F. ARBORETUM

- Dredging Project Update– Dredging is now complete. The Builder will create a map of where the road should go and where or where not to plant going forward in this area. Any planting will be done in the fall.
- Tree Hit on Green – at the corner of High Street and North Broad; the exact spot where a tree was hit last year – this replacement tree was hit. The City will take of replacing it.

G. TREE NURSERY

- Nothing at this time.

H. STREET TREE REPLACEMENTS/TREE REQUESTS

- Mayor's Initiative – There are no new status updates on the project at this time.
- Tree Replaced at Robert Treat Parkway– the Pear tree was replaced on Saturday, June 2nd, and was subsequently hit by a car. Bryan Mancini and Paul Jorgensen decided to replace the tree once again; however, they will ask the City to also install a boulder to help protect the tree there. This will be a Fall Planting.
- Homeowner Tree Request – 7 Aberdeen Way – The homeowner's Zelkova died and they asked for this tree to be replaced. The Milford Tree Commission will replace the tree.
- Anderson Avenue Park Tree replacement – Waiting for Public Works to remove the stump of the dead Zelkova and then the replacement tree will be planted. The tree is currently being taken care of by Bryan Mancini.
- Homeowner Tree Request – 246 High Street - Homeowners took down their Walnut Tree and has asked the Milford Tree Commission to replace it with a Scarlet Oak. The homeowners indicated that they will take of this tree.

I. OPEN GRANTS & GRANT APPLICATIONS

- America the Beautiful Grant –The Grant is now closed and completed.

J. INTER-AGENCY REVIEW MATTERS

- 232 West Main Street – Moderate Housing Project – More trees could be planted, specifically, shade trees. Bryan Mancini will write the recommendation letter.
- 63 Washington Street – 2 Buildings – The plans meet the requirements. Bryan Mancini will write the recommendation letter.
- 100 Plains Road – New Site of Carter Mario Offices - The plans meet and exceed the requirements. Bryan Mancini will write the recommendation letter.

K. ADJOURNMENT

- Jim Malaney made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Kelly Miller seconded the motion, the committee voted and the motion was carried unanimously.
The August 13, 2018 meeting of The Milford Tree Commission was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of The Milford Tree Commission held August 13, 2018 are respectfully submitted,

By: _____
Annie Mecca, Recording Secretary