

THE MILFORD TREE COMMISSION

Minutes of the November 11, 2015 Meeting

A. ROLL CALL

Commission Members:

Bryan Mancini - Chairman
Kate Orecchio - Vice Chairman
Jim Malaney - Co -Vice Chairman
David Skirkanich
Melissa Smith
Seny Ricardi

Recording Secretary:

Annie Mecca

Absent:

Melissa Smith
David Skirkanich

B. CALL TO ORDER

Bryan Mancini called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

C. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- Bryan Mancini made a motion to accept the minutes to the meeting on September 14, 2015. Kate Orecchio seconded the motion. The minutes from the September 14, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved.

D. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- Financial Report – As of September 30, 2015 the Financial Report is as follows: \$450.00 for Secretarial Fees, \$1,000 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.
- Budget - Bryan Mancini will propose the same budget for the Milford Tree Commission to the Board. This decision was unanimously approved.
- Terms to Expire - The terms for Kate Orecchio, David Skirkanich and Melissa Smith will expire in January. Kate Orecchio indicated that she would like to be re-appointed. Bryan Mancini will email Melissa Smith and David Skirkanich to inquire if they would like to be re-appointed. Bryan Mancini will ask the Mayor to appoint Seny Ricardi into the full-time, currently vacant spot as a regular member of the Milford Tree Commission.

E. TREE WARDEN REPORT / STREET TREE MATTERS

- 2nd Historic District – Bryan Mancini received a phone call from a resident in the 2nd Historical District regarding trees that are being cut down by UI. She indicated that she had an understanding from the Mayor that she would be notified when the trees would be marked for cutting, and that is not taking place. She inquired of Bryan Mancini if the Tree Commission had any authority over the UI trucks. She also indicated that she wanted to collaborate with Bryan Mancini on amending the ordinance. Bryan Mancini will follow up with her.

F. ARBORETUM

- Trees to be planted – Two memorial trees are slated to be planted in the spring of 2016. Bryan Mancini will contact the families as to when the plantings will take place.

G. OPEN GRANTS & GRANT APPLICATIONS

- There are no open grants at this time.

H. TREE NURSERY

- Tim Chaucer request - Tim Chaucer, owner of the Wildlife Museum near the Gulf Pond Pump Station would like some replacement trees planted around his area. These trees will be planted in the spring of 2016.
- The Orchards Golf Course requested some replacement trees. The Golf Course Commissioner will work with Public Works and also with the Tree Commission as to how many trees they will receive and who will plant them. Bryan Mancini will also speak with Darryl of Planter's Choice for suggestions.

I. STREET TREE REPLACEMENTS/TREE REQUESTS

- None at this time.

J. EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

- Steve Johnson asked Bryan Mancini if he would speak to the Academy about Landscaping and Trees. Bryan accepted the invitation and has agreed to talk to the students.

K. INTER-AGENCY REVIEW MATTERS

- 214-224 Seaside Avenue (proposed affordable housing). The plans meet the requirements of the Tree Commission.

L. ADJOURNMENT

- Jim Malaney made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Seny Ricardi seconded the motion, the committee voted and the motion was carried unanimously. The November 9, 2015 meeting of The Milford Tree Commission was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

The minutes of the meeting of The Milford Tree Commission held November 9, 2015 are respectfully submitted,

By: _____
Annie Mecca
Recording Secretary