

LONGMEADOW TREE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the April 26, 2018 Meeting

1. The Tree Committee meeting was opened at 6:05 pm. The following members were present: Chair Peter Bouvier, Patrick Carnahan, David Marinelli, and Tree Warden Geoff McAlmond. Wayne Ottani and Bari Jarvis were absent. Jonathan Levin-Epstein, Sheila Mulholland, and Michael and Lori Bernardi attended as visitors.
2. Public comments: Lori and Michael Bernardi requested that the tree at 40 Roseland Terrace be removed as part of the Roseland Terrace sidewalk renewal project. Sheila Mulholland and Jonathan Levin-Epstein requested that the tree in front of 56 Roseland Terrace also be removed as part of the sidewalk renewal project.
3. The Committee discussed the visitors' comments and agreed to recommend that the two trees discussed be removed as part of the project.
4. Arbor Day tree planting at Wolf Swamp School was a success. A Leonard Magnolia was planted. Longmeadow Gardeners are giving a Scarlet Oak to each 4th grader in town.
5. Peter handed out revised Permission/Request to Plant a Tree on a Public Way forms which will be finalized and made available for distribution at Long Meddowe Days. Forms attached.
6. The Tree Committee's request for a \$12,000 tree planting matching grant from the DCR has been approved.
7. Longmeadow has again been named a Tree City USA.
8. Geoff McAlmond is stepping down as Tree Warden. The position has been posted internally.
9. The Tree Committee discussed the Emerald Ash Borer. There is no money in the budget to treat trees. The Committee will continue to monitor the situation.
10. The next Tree Committee meeting will be held at 6 pm on Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 31 Pondsides Road.
11. The minutes of the current meeting were reviewed, corrected as needed, and approved.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.