

Winthrop Tree Committee Meeting

April 2024 Minutes

Meeting April 8, 2024

6 PM

Tree Committee in attendance

Paul O'Donnell Tree Warden
Chris Aiello Chair
Tom Derderian Member
Marie Wynne Member
Tim Duplin Member
Joanne Hillman Member

Voted and accepted March Minutes with one edit

Discussions of Main St. Plantings which are mostly completed

Discussion of plantings with National Grid money \$9,000 which was given to cover the cost of damage to existing trees along Revere St. Tree committee will suggest addresses along the route where we would like the trees and Steve Calla will make the call on whether or not its feasible given sewers etc. This will most likely be a fall planting.

Other Plantings

Tree Warden and Chris Aiello will look at Washington and Pleasant Streets for additional sites for trees for a spring / fall planting.

Will consider sites on River Road and along the golf course for additional plantings

Discussion on additional placement of trees in Coughlin Park, Ingleside Park.

Tim Duplin gave recommendations for the types of trees we should consider:

Red Maple, Honey Locust, American Hop Horn Bean, Black Tupelo, American Sweet Gum, Little Leaf Linden, Swamp White Oak, (Other large oaks are better for parks) Lace Bark Elm, Freeman Maple, Hedge Maple, Seedless Kentucky, Hackberry, Bald Cypress, Gingko, London Plane and Sycamore.

There will be no Water Tank Truck this year. No money in the budget, Consideration should be given to some kind of bladder that is portable and can be put in the back of a truck in order to water trees during hot summer.

Further on the GIS System - Tree Inventory and if it will be incorporated on the Town Software.

If committee members feel there should be amendments to the Tree Ordinance they should bring ideas / concerns to the next meeting.

Next Meeting Monday, May 13, 2024