

**CHELMSFORD TREE COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES for June 18, 2019**

Town Hall  
Room 200  
50 Billerica Road  
Chelmsford, MA 01824

**Members Present:** James Martin (Chair), Ginny Marshall, Andy Silinsh, Brian Zuzelo

**Liaison Selectman:** Ken Lefebvre

**Community: High School Representatives:** Lily Hoyt, Krish Bhut, Shri Jeyaram

**Not Present:** Kate Messer (Conservation Agent/Planner), Gary Persichetti (Tree Warden),

**Quorum Present;**

Meeting called to order by the Chair James Martin at 7:02 PM

**Trees for Turtles: Non-Profit Youth Organization at Chelmsford High School.**

Some of their activities so far:

Sharing a picture on the social network

Trees for Turtles Website which brings awareness to sound, effective ecology

**Brian Zuzelo**

Question to group: How can TREE committee help?

TREE Committee can help the most by providing technical info.e.g.

How, when, where to plant trees

Advice: Pick the site and find a tree to suit it.

Maintenance is more important than just planting it.

**Brian Zuzelo:** Offered the following suggestions:

Have a friend plant a tree:

Neighborhood could "adopt a tree

Organize work plan

Design a "Plant a Tree" pamphlet for distribution

**Jim Martin:** Make a list of nurseries; Contact the nurseries for free trees

**Ginny Marshall:** Suggested contact with girl scout and boy scout troops;  
Float in the parade

**Andy Silinsh:** Suggestion for a planted tree – end of bike path

**CENTER COMMON PLAN UPDATE**

Discussion of questions to be answered

Ginny will resurrect Questionnaire developed for other committees in town.

### **Tree Inventory Update Policy**

Discussion revolved around "Should TREE Committee inventory trees not on public property?"  
Past History: TREE Committee has inventoried Bank Bldg, Church, trees within historic district – also, inventoried properties that were in the community, but not on public property

The TREE Committee decided that trees not on public property, but of arboricultural interest could be inventoried on a case by case basis.

### **GINNY MARSHALL**

Motion: TREE Committee policy will be to accept, on a case by case basis, doing an inventory of trees on non-public property, if there is an arboricultural interest that is acceptable to the Committee

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Brian Zuzelo  
Motion passed unanimously

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Committee**

1. Committee Elections;  
Chair;  
Motion 1st: Ginny Marshall for Jim Martin to be Chair  
2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Brian Zuzelo  
Passed Unanimously

Secretary:  
Motion 1st: Jim Martin for Ginny Marshall to be Secretary  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Brian Zuzelo for Ginny Marshall  
Passed Unanimously

2. 2018-2019 Committee Work Plan

#### Review of Yearly Work Plan

Community Tree Management discussed:  
Responsibilities

Public education of the community,  
Performing tree surveys,  
Inventorying trees

3. Review of 2019-2020 Yearly Work Plan

Arbor Day:  
July: Develop a plan for Grand Tree Nominations

Date of Next Meeting: July 9<sup>th</sup>

Motion to Adjourn : Ginny Marshall  
2<sup>nd</sup> to Adjourn: Brian Zuzelo

Passed: Meeting Adjourned: 8:26 PM