

CHELMSFORD TREE COMMITTEE

MINUTES for October 12th, 2021 Meeting

Approved at November 2021 Meeting

Location: Online Teleconference Microsoft Teams

Members Present: James Martin (Chair), Ivan Orlinsky, Brian Zuzelo

Guest: Gary Persichetti, DPW Director

Quorum Present;

Meeting called to order by the Chair James Martin at 7:01pm

Community Input: Mr. Persichetti provided a rationale for the removal of the large Spruce tree at Whorten and North Street without a public hearing. Also agreed to provide the Committee with a list of the locations of all newly planted replacement trees over the years to be added to our Tree Inventory. All agreed we should work for better cooperation between the Department of Public Works and the TREE Committee. The Committee agreed to provide him with a copy of our Tree Report to the Board of Selectmen of several years ago.

Acceptance of May 2021 Minutes:

Motion: Brian Zuzelo

Second: Ivan Orlinsky

Motion unanimously passed

Old Business:

1. **Tree Inventory.** Discussion about Tree Inventory and reviewing trees already in inventory to determine current condition of trees since first inventoried.
2. **Chelmsford Dog Park.** Noted that two volunteers Lisa & Jaki from the Friends of Chelmsford Dog Park have done an outstanding job of watering the new trees at the Dog Park this summer. Most of the trees have been doing very well since planting. A few are not doing as well due to excessive soil moisture this season. Plan is to reposition the unhappy ones this fall
3. **Tree Committee Facebook Page.** The Committee has created the Facebook group for the Chelmsford Tree Committee and discussed content for the group. Content for Facebook Page:
 - a. Question and Answers for public education on trees.
 - b. Images of Legacy Beech Trees.
4. **TREE Committee 2021-2022 Committee Work Plan**
To be worked on during December 2021 meeting.
- 6 **Roberts Field:** Tree Committee provided guidance on bittersweet remediation to save and protect two butternut trees.
- 7 **Chelmsford Climate Action Team:** No action has been made on this item.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Tree Committee Annual Election:

James Martin: Chair Nominated, Accepted and unamously elected

Brian Zuzelo: Secretary Nominated, Accepted and unamously elected

Next Meeting Date: December 16th at 7pm.

**Motion to Adjourn Meeting: Motion I. Orlinsky B. by Seconded Zuzelo,
Motion passed unanimously**

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

**Brian Zuzelo
TREE Committee Secretary**