

3/17/2021

**Village of Mamaroneck Tree Committee
23 March 2021 Agenda**

*Approval of the February Minutes (attachment 1)

*Comments from Residents (Please limit in-person comments to 3 minutes)

*Correspondence

704 Shore Acres Drive regarding stump removal (attachment 2)

*Old Business

305 Fourth St (November business) Resident requested removal of large, healthy tree and replacement with small, flowering tree.

Request has been made several times, tree has been healthy; Tony will reinspect

Tree Maintenance or Removal -- Please provide street numbers when reporting tree-related issues

404 & 407 Creek – pruning request for broken and poorly pruned limbs

HIP near Firemen's Memorial (discussed with Barry) Bradford Pear growing within the limbs of healthy evergreen

Florence Park tree (attachment 3)

Violations

717 The Parkway tree topped by residents; violation issued?

625 Brook on N. Barry, two trees topped. Violation issued 2019?

New Trees

Fall 2020 Planting

21 small trees held over from Fall list are on order

Bare root stock used because of several narrow planting strips

Changing to bare root stock has multiple advantages (attachment 4)

Fall 2021 Planting

Requests are coming in (attachment 5)

Westchester County may plant new trees on County property

Water Treatment Plant, southwest side and driveway – VOM awaiting map of underground architecture; county has not responded because of Covid response priorities

BWS has followed up with George Latimer, to date no reply (attachment 6)

MetroNorth Trees Removed along Bishop and Hoyt
License agreement needed from MetroNorth -- status?
Possible petition by Bishop residents

Tree Donation Fund (attachment 7)
Draw up formal guidelines

Guidelines for Proposing Significant Trees – to come

Tree inventory
High school community service internships status

Guided tree walks
Need to contact Jason Pinto

Planning Board – to come

- Draft guidelines to be presented annually
- Sidewalk repairs using structural soil
- Tree well planting guidelines
- Distances from stop signs & corners
- Ongoing maintenance of trees, particularly street trees
- Recommend species suited to locations

*New Business

Proposal by Arts Council to create living tribute to service by VOM essential workers during the pandemic (attachment 8)
Recommendation by Beverley Sherrid to locate it on Rushmore side of HIP
Tree City recertification application incomplete
Tree Committee booth at Cleanup, Green Up Day?

*Other Business (*this time is for committee members to add any items not otherwise included in the agenda*)

*Calendar Notes

Next regular meeting *Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 7:30 p.m.*
VOM Clean Up, Green Up Day, *Saturday, May 1, rain date May 2, 9:30 a.m.*

February 22, 2021 MINUTES - draft

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE TREE COMMITTEE HELD
REMOTELY ON February 22, 2021 AT 7:35 PM

PRESENT:

Nora Lucas, trustee
Gail Koller, co-chair
Beverley Sherrid, co-chair
Wendy Zoland
Marlene Star
Sean Gormley
Ellen Axelrod

Guest Attendee - Laura Horner

1. Call to Order: 7:35PM
2. Approval of January Minutes
3. **Old Business:**
 - a. 305 Fourth Street - Tree removal was discussed regarding maintenance of elm tree with broken limbs and has been poorly pruned
 - b. Laura Horner (guest attendee) is interested in pruning program. Jerry Barberio can provide her with a vest.
 - c. Metro-North Trees Removed along Bishop and Hoyt
We have been trying for years to get them to approve planting replacement trees on Bishop. The trees would be planted by the Village on Metro-North property.

Arborvitae was suggested since they grow narrowly, not too high and they provide a nice, year-round foliage. It was suggested that one of the Bishop Street residents can start a petition with community signatures to show their support.

- d. Guidelines for Proposing Significant Trees - Guidelines will be researched by Joe Colombo
- e. Tree inventory - Local high school students may be recruited for the service support by Jerry Barberio. This is a good socially distancing project for the students.
- f. More Guided Tree Walk This has been a safe and enjoyable activity particularly during COVID. Jason Pinot will be contacted regarding planning monthly tree walks.
- g. Planning Board, A liaison for the Planning Board is needed. Beverley has agreed to provide a proposal for which will cover:
 - i. Sidewalk repairs using structural soil
 - ii. Tree well planting guidelines
 - iii. Distances from stop signs & corners
 - iv. Ongoing maintenance of trees, particularly street trees
 - v. Recommend species suited to locations

4. New Business

- a. 812 Stuart Avenue – Beverley shared a photo of a large tree whose roots are causing the sidewalk to buckle. Structural soil is recommended for the repair so the tree roots can be protected. A letter was written to Jerry Barberio who forwarded it to Mayor Tom Murphy.
- b. Beverley talked about a webinar she attended sponsored by NYS Urban Forestry.
- c. Donations to Tree Fund – A proposed solution was discussed regarding resident donations to help fund the tree program. It was suggested that a web page on the Village of Mamaroneck's website would be good place

for the community to be able to donate to the Tree Committee's tree fund. This was unanimously approved by the Tree Committee. It was proposed by Gail Koller, and seconded by Marlene Star.

d. Potential additions to species - In keeping with the need to promote diversity among the Village trees, three additional species were recommended. They are noted below with restrictions indicated:

- i. Paw Paw Tree – parks not street (multi stem), not near LI Sound (salt intolerant)
- ii. Kentucky Coffee Tree -- female trees drop seed pods (plant male trees only)
- iii. Linden Tree – no restrictions

5. Other Business:

a. Burying Power Lines - Mondaire Jones, Congressman for Port Chester/Rye/Rockland, has indicated that burying power lines may be included in the Infrastructure Bill. Beverley will write to our congressional representative regarding this request.

6. Next regular meeting Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 7:30PM

7. ADJOURNED 8:30 PM

Attachment 2

704 Shore Acres Drive -- Comments from Resident

On Mar 13, 2021, at 4:04 PM, Linda Meehan <lindabmeehan@gmail.com> wrote:

I am sure you saw they took them out and did such an amazing job. They even cleaned up the mess that the tree people had made when they took the trees down. If you wanted to pass that along that would be great. If you'd like me to do so, can you send me Tony's (?) email? Really a nice group of guys.

Thanks again,
Linda

On Tue, Mar 9, 2021 at 8:36 AM Beverley Sherrid <bsherrid@optonline.net> wrote:
Thank you!

On Mar 9, 2021, at 6:48 AM, Tony Iacovelli <tiacovelli@vomny.org> wrote:

Beverley,

We started grinding stumps yesterday, the stumps you mentioned below are all on the list. Now that the snow is gone we will get the tree removed from 235 So. Barry.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me at 914-777-7745.

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**Tony Iacovelli
General Foreman
Village Of Mamaroneck
Public Works
Tele: 914-777-7745
Fax: 914-777-7757**

From: Beverley Sherrid <bsherrid@optonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 08, 2021 4:25 PM
To: Tony Iacovelli <tiacovelli@vomny.org>
Cc: Jerry Barberio <jbarberio@vomny.org>; Gail Koller <gail.koller18@gmail.com>; LINDA B MEEHAN <lindabmeehan@me.com>; Beverly Sherrid <mrs.sherrid@gmail.com>
Subject: five stumps and a dead tree

Hi Tony,

I think it is your stump-grinding season. We have several that need to come out in Shore Acres. They are:

- 704 Shore Acres Dr., a cluster of stumps along the S. Barry side
- corner of Shore Acres Drive and The Parkway

- 564 The Parkway, median
- 721 The Parkway
- 725 The Parkway, median

Also, there is a small and very dead tree at **235 S. Barry Ave.** It has one of your pink marks of doom but I believe it was missed when others were removed. Photo attached.

Thank you.
Beverley

Florence park

Inbox

Beverley Sherrid <mrssherrid@gmail.com> Fri, Mar 12, 2:17 PM (5 days ago)

to Tony, Jerry

Tony, i saw this roped off tree in Florence Park a few days ago and was wondering what the tape indicates. No pink dots on it, and the tree looks healthy. It would really benefit from some pruning though.

Thank you.

Beverley



Tony Iacovelli Mon, Mar 15, 6:38 AM (2 days ago)

to me, Jerry

Beverley,

I'm not sure what the barricade and caution tape is for, I'll check it out today to find out why its there.

Tony Iacovelli

Tree Committee -- 21 trees for spring planting

Inbox

Beverley Sherrid <mrssherrid@gmail.com> Tue, Mar 9, 3:15 PM (8 days ago)

to Jerry, Tony, Gail, Jeff

Jerry,

Here's the list of sites for the new trees. I've reallocated the six trees that would have gone along Mamaroneck Avenue, but needed to be larger.

Please note that a number of these locations are corner lots and the trees should go on the cross street, not the street with the house number. In one case, the location is in the median across from the house number. These notes are indicated in the list.

Thank you!

Beverley

Jerry Barberio Tue, Mar 9, 3:27 PM (8 days ago)

to **Mayor**, me, Tony, Gail, Jeff

Thank you. Tony will initiate his part (identification of utilities and clearances) and once the trees come in, I will work with parks department to plant them.

Planting bareroot trees is a big step for us and everyone on this email is to be congratulated. We reduced the cost of street trees by at least 65% while at the same time increased survival rate and locations where we could plant. That is a BIG deal.

All I can say is Thank You.

JB

Jerry Barberio

Attachment 5 -- New Tree Requests

2021 New Tree Requests

<u>Number</u>	<u>Street</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Telephone</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1020	Jefferson @ Jefferson Seven Oaks (Orienta) Warren Ave Park Prospect @ Sand	Kelly Taylor Dorothee Maver		red maple kelly@kelsobeer.com dorotheemaver@gmail.com
702	Prospect Ave Prospect Ave	Kaen Stanton Neilson Markene		relacement -- requested next to library
503	Munro	Marlene		diagonally across from 503, plant on Heathcote
535	Munro	Marlene		
541	Munro Stanley Park Prospect Ave	Marlene Marlene		
1040	Seven Oaks Lane	Katrin Lanternier	katrinl1711@gmail.com	replacement -- requested

The Hon. George Latimer
Westchester County Executive
148 Martine Avenue
White Plains, NY 10601

8 March 2021

Dear George,

Thank you for your hard work bringing Westchester through the past year of pandemic and economic crisis. Knowing you continue to guide the county in what I hope are the pandemic's final months gives confidence that we will thrive again.

I'm writing about a different issue. About a year ago, you visited the Village of Mamaroneck Tree Committee with an offer to plant trees on county property within the Village. Jerry Barberio and I identified several sites around the water treatment plant at Harbor Island Park that would be greatly improved by trees. I believe that Dan Sarnoff, the Assistant Village Manager, asked the county for a map of the underground architecture so we could decide whether these locations are appropriate. He has not yet received this information, most likely because the pandemic has consumed everyone's attention.

I hope we have not lost our chance to apply for county trees. My committee would appreciate receiving the information whenever it is convenient for your staff.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely yours,



Beverley Sherrid
Co-Chair, VOM Tree Committee
625 The Parkway
Mamaroneck NY 10543

tree donations

Inbox



Jeff Ahne Tue, Mar 9, 12:03 PM (8 days ago)

to me, Jerry

Good morning

I wanted to reach out to you to discuss tree donations from residents.

I have a member of the SEC wanting to donate a tree in honor of someone they just lost.

I would like your input on what types of trees people can donate for now and the future

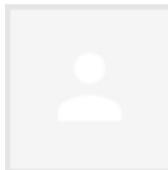
I also would like to standardize a tree donation process for those wanting to donate a tree to the village of Mamaroneck

Any help with this process is greatly appreciated

Thanks

Jeff Ahne

Acting General Foreman of Parks



Beverley Sherrid <mrssherrid@gmail.com> Tue, Mar 9, 2:26 PM (8 days ago)

to Jeff, Jerry

Hi Jeff,

We talked about this suggestion at our last meeting and everyone thinks it's a great idea. We haven't hammered out a program yet, but here are my thoughts.

I expect people are more likely to want to donate park trees, not street trees. The setting is more pleasant and the trees have much more room to grow and fewer challenges like car fumes, street salt, or vandalism. Obviously, we wouldn't turn down a street tree if it follows our rule about small trees under power lines. I think a donor should be able to specify a location or park, but we might have to work out the exact details.

You and Jerry need to decide on the price. It should include the cost of the tree as well as the planting, but I don't have that information. Also, I don't know whether you want to add anything on top of that.

The trees we order are usually 2" dbh, which establish better than larger ones. Donors may be thinking of a larger tree, however, and I don't know whether Jerry thinks we could accommodate that.

I'm developing a list of approved species. Most, but not all, of the trees tend to be native. The committee talked about some possible additional native tree that would be suitable for parks but not streets. I would like Jerry's opinion on whether we could order a small number of parks-only trees (generally our orders have been limited to species that can go either place). There are some invasive species that we would not want, so we need to be able to approve any choice not on the list.

We can only plant the trees when the VOM is conducting its regular planting of street and park trees, generally in the Fall. So while donations could be made any time, a tree might not show up for a few months. We would need to keep track of pending donations and let people know when their trees are going in the ground.

VOM decided a few years ago not to let people place plaques at the base of trees. There are some old ones in HIP. It pretty quickly begins to look like a cemetery.

Sorry I am not further along with a program. I'd appreciate any comments you might have on these points.

Beverley

Attachment 8
Essential Workers Tribute

Re: tree tribute

Nora Lucas

Mon, Mar 1, 8:53 PM

Hi Jackie, Sure! Copying Beverly Sherrid and Gail Koller, the Co-Chairs. Jackie, can you please send them a copy of the design for the living mermorial? Thanks

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Jackie Meier Mon, Mar 1, 8:57 PM

to Nora, Lawrence, Beverly, Gail

Hi Gail and Beverly,

This is a copy of the email that was sent to the Mayor and the board about the essential workers' tribute. Larry Cohen and I are hoping to work with you on the project.

thanks,

Jackie Meier

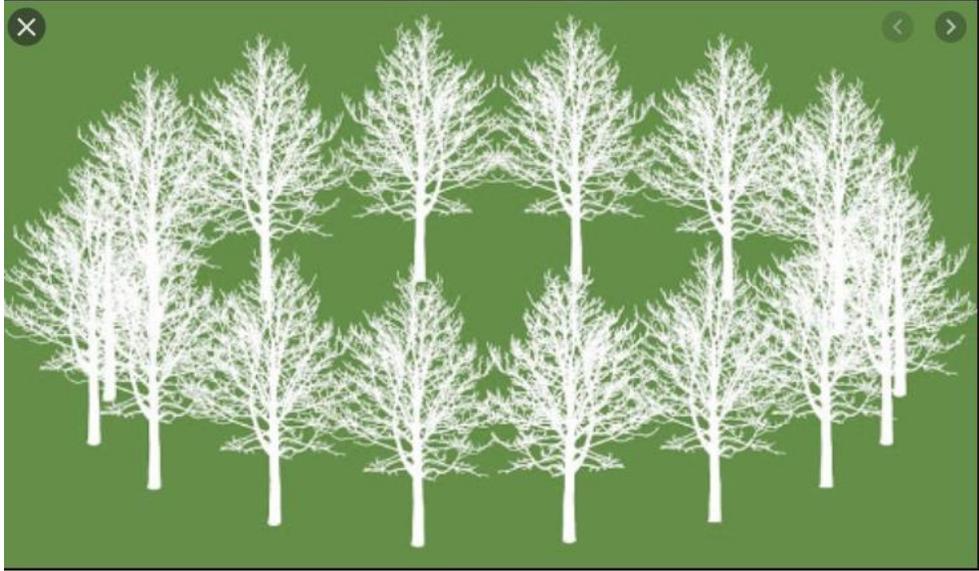
Dear Mayor and Trustees,

The Arts Council was asked to think about how we might honor the workers who continued to put their own lives at risk so that we might continue to function as a community.

Since this group of workers contains so many different occupations we thought it would be difficult to find a symbol of one person to represent them all.

After much discussion, we liked the idea of a living tribute. The idea of 10-12 trees planted in a circle with a plaque discussing the circle of the trees and the commitment to the community these essential workers exhibited. We could list people by name and or profession.

Here are a few images.





Sincerely,
Jackie Meier
and Marina Kiriakou

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Beverley Sherrid <mrssherrid@gmail.com> Tue, Mar 2, 8:26 AM

to Nora, Jacqueline, Lawrence, Gail

Thanks, Jackie!

These are very attractive images and it's a lovely idea. I have some possible locations in mind but would like to look at them with this in mind first.

Do you have a way of funding the project in mind?

Beverley

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Nora Lucas Tue, Mar 2, 8:27 AM

to me, Jacqueline, Lawrence, Gail

Good morning all,

I believe this will be a village undertaking, but we could also raise funds.

We need a plan, then a budget.
