

1/1/2024

Village of Mamaroneck Tree Committee
January 3, 2024 Agenda

***Approval of the December 6, 2023 Minutes** (Attachment 1)

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

***Correspondence**

***Old Business**

VOM Inspection for Maintenance or Removal *Please provide street numbers when reporting tree-related issues*

- VOM trees for inspection
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1lg-QtdV6So5hl4XDm4Usf8jghZXhA-9ZIYpySaxYjVU/edit>

New Trees

- Four additional trees (from among the 10 left over) planted on Stuart Ave
- Bishop St trees will be planted in the Spring due to VOM construction needs

Logo Design Proposal -- Leilani Yizar-Reid (Attachment 2)

Structural Soil Under Permeable Paving

- Correspondence to NYS Forester (Attachment 3)

***New Business**

- Dense microforests (Sara)
- 204 N. Barry sidewalk repair (Attachment 4)
- Heritage Trees volunteer – Chris Hillyer

***Other Business**

- 2024 meeting calendar (Attachment 5)

***Calendar Notes**

- Next meeting Wednesday, February 7, 7:30 pm

Attachment 1
Village of Mamaroneck Tree Committee
DRAFT 6 December 2024 Minutes

The meeting was convened at 7:40 p.m.

***Present** – Beverley Sherrid, Leilani Yizar-Reid, Lilia Ramos-Dries, Sara Mignano, Michelle Goodman, Krishna Finkenberg

***Approval of November 1, 2023 Minutes** VOTE approved

***Approval of Amended October 4, 2023 Minutes** VOTE approved

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

***Correspondence Review**

***Old Business**

VOM Trees for Inspection

- Committee designated Lilia Ramos-Dries to email monthly report of trees for inspection, possible maintenance or removal, to James Barney and will invite him to attend a meeting to discuss what works best for him.

Reporting Active Tree Removals

- Call Building Department (914) 777-7731
- After hours, call Police Desk 914-777-1122

New Trees

- Fall planting discussed

***New Business**

***Other Business**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m

Attachment 2
Letter to VOM Judges Regarding Tree Law Enforcement

The Hon. Christie L. Derrico
The Hon. Daniel J. Gallagher
Village of Mamaroneck Justice Court
169 Mt. Pleasant Ave.
Mamaroneck, NY 10543

31 December 2023

Dear Judges Derrico and Gallagher,

I am writing on behalf of the Village of Mamaroneck Tree Committee. I understand that two cases of unpermitted clear-cutting of trees will be appealed before you in the coming weeks.

It has been several months since Marlene Star and I wrote to you about the first instance, at 951 E. Boston Post Road, regarding the intention and need for enforcement of our Village Tree law. The second instance is at 859 Mamaroneck Ave @ Nostrand.

I know that the cases you review draw from a broad swath of violations, so I am forwarding copies of our letters in the hope that you will consider these cases with these objectives in mind.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely yours,

Beverley Sherrid
Chairman, VOM Tree Committee

Cc: Marlene Star



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Attachment 4
Structural Soil Under Permeable Paving

To George Profous
Hi George,

Happy New Year! I hope you've been well (no more covid etc)

I have a question for you about CU mix structural soil. Last fall I read the 2015 Comprehensive Guide from UHI and realized that, in addition to all the benefits it offers for street trees, it is also beneficial for rainwater retention under permeable surfaces such as parking lots, regardless of whether trees are planted nearby.

The Tree Committee sent a letter to the Village Planning Board, which approves site plans. We suggested that they add a recommendation for using structural soil in new construction. We hope to be invited to a meeting to talk about this with them in the new year. As you know, flooding is a big concern in the Village of Mamaroneck, so any contribution to mitigation would be important.

Can you recommend other resources I could read to support this recommendation?

As always, thank you!
Beverley Sherrid

Attachment 5
204 N. Barry Ave Sidewalk Disruption

From: Jerry Barberio <jbarberio@vomny.org>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 12:04 PM
To: Beverley Sherrid <BSherrid@vomny.net>
Cc: Leilani Yizar-Reid <lreid@vomny.org>; James Barney <jbarney@vomny.org>; Pablo Ruiz <pruiz@vomny.org>; Mayor and Board <MayorandBoard@vomny.org>; TreeCom <TreeCom@vomny.org>
Subject: Re: Dangerous sidewalk/tree issue

DPW will remove the slabs first before I make a final determination. Until then, the tree stays.

Also, if complaints come in we need to know about them because the law requires us to investigate or act within 24 hours. We can't investigate if you don't know.

Thank you,

Jerry Barberio
Village Manager
Village of Mamaroneck

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On Dec 3, 2023, at 3:02 PM, Beverley Sherrid <BSherrid@vomny.net> wrote:

Jerry,

What's been decided about repairing this sidewalk and, I hope, saving the tree?

Beverley

From: Jerry Barberio <jbarberio@vomny.org>
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 9:18 AM
To: Leilani Yizar-Reid <lreid@vomny.org>
Cc: Beverley Sherrid <BSherrid@vomny.net>; James Barney <jbarney@vomny.org>; Pablo Ruiz <pruiz@vomny.org>; Mayor and Board <MayorandBoard@vomny.org>; TreeCom <TreeCom@vomny.org>
Subject: Re: Dangerous sidewalk/tree issue

By code, the property owner is responsible for the sidewalk IFO their home, unless our Village tree caused the issue. All we need is locations to determine if we need to cite the resident or fix it out our expense.

Thank you,

Jerry Barberio
Village Manager
Village of Mamaroneck

On Nov 13, 2023, at 9:00 AM, Leilani Yizar-Reid <lreid@vomny.org> wrote:

Hello All,

There a few sidewalks in the Village that have this same issue. Is there a plan, because there are some residents who have made complaints about it, especially with their children riding bikes.

Thank you.

Leilani

From: Beverley Sherrid <BSherrid@vomny.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 12, 2023 12:17:06 PM

To: Jerry Barberio <jbarberio@vomny.org>; James Barney <jbarney@vomny.org>; Pablo Ruiz <pruiz@vomny.org>; Mayor and Board <MayorandBoard@vomny.org>; TreeCom <TreeCom@vomny.org>

Subject: Re: Dangerous sidewalk/tree issue

Hi James and Jerry,

I took a look at this situation on my walk today. I think the address is actually 204 N. Barry. I agree, the hedge is probably the ROW/property line, a lot of people plant screens or build fences & walls along their lines.

That means we have 18" from the sidewalk to the soil line, 33" to the actual stems of the hedge. I think that should give us some room to relocate the sidewalk and put down structural soil so the roots don't interfere again.

It's a beautiful , mature oak and brings canopy to a street that lost most of its trees and now has mainly young ones trying to establish.

Beverley

From: Jerry Barberio <jbarberio@vomny.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2023 11:46 AM
To: James Barney <jbarney@vomny.org>; Pablo Ruiz <pruiz@vomny.org>; Mayor and Board <MayorandBoard@vomny.org>; TreeCom <TreeCom@vomny.org>
Subject: Re: Dangerous sidewalk/tree issue

James,

Can you paint the limits of the right of way? I want to see if we can relocate, at our expense, the sidewalk to save the tree. If the limits are narrow, I really find it unfortunate it was planted and is causing a safety issue.

"It always seems impossible until it's done." ~ Nelson Mandala

Jerry Barberio
Village Manager

From: James Barney <jbarney@vomny.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2023 11:38 AM
To: Jerry Barberio <jbarberio@vomny.org>; Pablo Ruiz <pruiz@vomny.org>
Subject: Dangerous sidewalk/tree issue

Jerry,

200 N Barry Avenue.

Unfortunately, We need to remove this tree. It has lifted the sidewalk more than a foot higher than the normal elevation.

The trunk itself is lifting the sidewalk, not roots so there are not any other options. Definitely not the proper place for a tree like this to be planted years and years ago.

Thanks,

James Barney
General Foreman of Public Works

Attachment 6
2024 Tree Committee Meeting Calendar

The 2024 Tree Committee meetings are as follows. They all take place at 7:30pm in the Regatta Conference Room on the first Wednesday of the month.

Wednesday, 01/03: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125906>

Wednesday, 02/07: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125911>

Wednesday, 03/06: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125916>

Wednesday, 04/03: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125921>

Wednesday, 05/01: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125926>

Wednesday, 06/05: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125931>

Wednesday, 07/03: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125936>

Wednesday, 08/07: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125941>

Wednesday, 09/04: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125946>

Wednesday, 10/02: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125951>

Wednesday, 11/06: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125956>

Wednesday, 12/04: <https://www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us/home/events/125961>