

10/22/2021

**Village of Mamaroneck Tree Committee
28 October 2021 Agenda**

*Approval of the September 2021 Minutes (*Attachment 1*)

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

*Correspondence

130 Beach, Tree Committee responsibilities under Tree Law (*Attachment 2*)

490 Bleeker Public Access Path (*Attachment 3*)

*Old Business

Trees For Maintenance, Removal, or Evaluation -- Please provide street numbers when reporting tree-related issues (*Attachment 4*)

Tree Law

IT PASSED! – Tuesday, October 12, 2021, unanimous!

Next steps: Public awareness and acceptance; enforcement

Meeting with Rye Neck Action Research students scheduled for 11/1/2021 (*Attachment 5*)

New Trees

Fall list – 130 trees (*Attachment 6*)

HIP cherry trees – Marlene and Wendy

Mulch rings

Recommendation to plant evergreens near waterways (*September correspondence, Attachment 7*)

Question about planting tall trees under power lines (Gail)

Tree Inventory

Update from Village Manager

Dog Park and Essential Workers Tribute updates

Citizen Pruners

Workshop November 6, 1-3:00, Harbor Island Park; flyer by Robert Ingenito

(*Attachment 8*)

Rye Neck student is distributing flyers at schools, will attend workshop and interested in helping plan pruning workshops at schools (*Attachment 9*)

The Nature of Oaks book discussion and Tallamy program

Book discussion 9/29 – about 10 people attended one-hour online discussion

Doug Tallamy program – about 43 people attended online talk and Q&A

Library recorded the program (incomplete) and has posted online

Guided Tree Walk – Sunday, October 17

At least 23 people attended

*New Business

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

*Calendar Notes

Citizen Pruners Workshop November 6, 1-3:00 pm, Harbor Island Park

Next meeting Thursday, November 18, 7:30 pm online

Attachment 1

September 28th 2021 MINUTES

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE TREE COMMITTEE HELD
REMOTELY ON September 28th 2021 AT 8:00PM

PRESENT:

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

Robert Ingenito joined at 9:15PM

1. Call to Order: 8:04PM
2. Approval of June Minutes – one change made for the spelling of Dan Karson

3. **Correspondence:**

130 Beach – A situation was reported in which a tree was braced beyond its first year after transplant. Continued bracing provides no benefit and actually inhibits the tree's development. Jerry took care of the bracing.

502 Orienta & 405 Fairway Green - regarding proposed tree ordinance – two supportive emails for much needed tree ordinance

325 Anita Lane - regarding overdevelopment risks, loss of trees, and request for stronger protections of trees. In anticipation of tree law

passing, Jerry mentioned screening for an arborist and specific qualifications required

1040 Seven Oaks, 622 Stiles, 1346 Raleigh Road – all are inquiries regarding requests for the planting of trees by VOM

Walnut Street tree violation rectification – Trees was removed and plantings are needed. Jerry clarified plantings and locations that will benefit the community.

4. Old Business:

- a. Trees For Maintenance & Removals-All trees on list were removed or pruned.
- b. New Tree Ordinance – a public hearing was held on September 27th which included the proposed tree law. Village attorney detailed the law. The vote will occur on at the October 12th Board of Trustees meeting. Discussion was had regarding Tree Committee speakers, getting community support and getting people in the community to talk at the October 12 Board of Trustees meeting. The proposed code and concerns of 1010 Orianta clear cutting were discussed as well. Correspondence was received from community members indicating their support and concerns. Beverley will create a FAQ document for the new law.
- c. New Trees – trees donated by Mangone’s and Larchmont Nurseries last spring will be planted in the parks. These trees were considered a very generous gift. Residential locations suggested last spring will be added to the fall list of plantings currently in formation. HIP cherry trees to be inspected and a ribbon will be placed on those to be replaced. Wendy, Marlene and Beverley volunteered to inspect cherry trees. Mulch rings needed to be re-done due to Hurricane Ida.
- d. Tree Inventory – inventory in process. An app is used by volunteers to ID the trees. App is “Plant Finder.
- e. MetroNorth Along Bishop - Working to Restore Buffer for Residential Neighborhood in Mamaroneck. Government officials are working with Metro-North.
- f. Dog Park – Waiting for trees from county.
- g. Essential Workers Tribute This has been delayed until Spring because of Hurricane Ida. WIP for trees and benches. Recommended trees are four white oaks and four sweet gums.

- h. Citizen Pruners – Police produce photo IDs by appointment. Plan to have a workshop in early November on pruning coinciding with CFTE Cleanup Day.

5. New Business

- a. Rye Neck High School - is looking for a social science project that benefits trees.

6. Calendar Notes

- a. The “Nature of Oaks” book discussion on September 29th at 7PM at Mamaroneck Library event led by Beverley. Douglas Tallamy the author will speak on October 14th on Zoom.
- b. Guided tree walk scheduled for Sunday, October 17th at 1PM at The Parkway and Boston Post Road.

7. Other Business

- a. Discussion of trees in wet areas and long-term planning in light of Hurricane Ida and in anticipation of the new tree law. Gale shared a website regarding trees for wet areas. A plan is needed for long-term planning to help develop the canopy and creating a VOM nursery was suggested. Potential grant money can fund and volunteers can assist.
 - b. Marlene mentioned how pesticides are impacting neighborhood trees. Jerry mentioned environmentally safe alternatives for killing weeds.
 - c. PH testing suggested in order to increase tree survival rates.
 - d. It was suggested by Jerry that a Tree Committee member should be on the VOM Planning Board.
8. Next regular meeting Thursday, October 28th, 2021 at 7:30PM
9. ADJOURNED 9:58 PM

Attachment 2
130 Beach, Tree Committee responsibilities under Tree Law

stuart tiekert Mon, Oct 18, 7:41 AM (3 days ago)

to TreeCom, trees@vomny.org

Dear Chairs and Members of the Tree Committee,

I am writing to congratulate the Tree Committee on passing the new tree law which designed to protect trees when fully implemented.

Now that the difficult and time consuming task of writing the law has been completed I hope the committee to refocus its efforts on it's core duties and responsibilities under the new law.

The first item under 318-4, Duties and Responsibilities, of the new law is that the Tree Committee is that the committee "must" -

"Study, investigate, review, develop and/or update annually and administer a written plan present annually to the Board of Trustees, for the care, preservation, pruning, planting, replanting removal or disposition of trees and shrubs in parks, along streets and in other public areas, with an estimate of the costs in hours to be worked by Village employees and the cost of nursery stock to be used;"

A thoughtful, annual, written plan for the care of the Village's urban forest will go a long way in effectively utilizing the precious taxpayer dollars earmarked for maintenance and reforestation. Budget season begins in a few months so I urge the committee to quickly engage with this responsibility to enable the submission of the written plan as early in the budgetary process as possible.

The last item under Duties and Responsibilities is that the committee "must" -

"Review any proposal by the Village Manager or the Village Manager's designee to remove a tree on public property"

Over the last two years no single entity has removed more mature, healthy, native trees than the Village Manager's office. I urge you to begin the discussion of how this responsibility will be met at your scheduled meeting this week.

My suggestion would be that at least a week before your scheduled meeting the Village Manager present to the committee for review a Purchase Order listing the size and location of the trees proposed for removal. Of course, emergency removals would be exempted from this process as long as the Manager's office documents the reason for the removal as required in section 318-8K of the new law.

I look forward to the committee's oversight of the implementation of the new law so it can accomplish it's intended goals.

Sincerely,

Stuart Tiekert

Attachment 3 -- 490 Bleeker Public Access Path

Re: Tree Removal in public access path to water at Port Drive, between 490 Bleeker Avenue property and the Spadaro Residence

Dear Mr. Barberio:

We would like to see the trees removed in the public access area abutting the back of our property. One tree is mostly dead, the other two are becoming entangled in the overhead electrical wires.

Please advise if it is at all possible to include their removal in your fall felling and pruning program.

With appreciation for your prompt attention,

Sincerely,

Friedhilde Milburn, Secretary, Board of Managers
490 Bleeker Avenue #6B

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Jerry Barberio

Sun, Oct 17, 9:42 PM (4 days ago)

Hi, Are they dead? The wires will require ConEd. Thank you, Jerry Barberio Village Manager Village of Mamaroneck On Oct 16, 2021, at 4:03 PM, Friedhilde Milburn

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Jerry Barberio Mon, Oct 18, 7:55 AM (3 days ago)

to FRIEDHILDE, TreeCom

We will investigate the public assess portion of you request and get back to you. That must be confirmed first. If it is public, I am not aware.

Thank you,

Jerry Barberio

Village Manager
Village of Mamaroneck

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On Oct 17, 2021, at 11:05 PM, FRIEDHILDE MILBURN <fhm-rem@verizon.net> wrote:

One is dead. The other two are not but are near wires. Who contacts Con Ed? What else can you tell me about timing and arrangements?

Friedhilde Milburn.

Attachment 4

October 28, 2021 -- Trees for Removal, Pruning, Evaluation

<u>#</u>	<u>Street</u>	<u>Condition</u>
845	Palmer Ave	severely damaged elm
144	Frank	dead tree for removal

Attachment 5 -- Action Research Student Group

Feit, Valerie Oct 4, 2021, 2:51 PM

to me

Hi Beverley,

Thank you so much for your detailed email. All of the tree advocacy and activities sound great. Action Research is involved in a short project that will take us through the end of October or early November. At that point, we will start the tree research project. School-based research takes time, so I hope that an attenuated process through to the spring is okay with you.

I will share your email with my students now so that they have a sense of direction. It is possible that some might attend the October 12th meeting. I used to go with them (in the old days) however, now that I live 65 miles away and don't have the energy level, I have cut back. My plan is to encourage all of them to attend.

The actual research topic - community response and resistance to tree preservation is perfect for us. Typically, we invite an organizational leader to speak with us (on Google Meets or in person) and we question the organization's goals, nature of the issue, sub-issues, and potential outcomes. From there, we will either do a community survey, focus groups or interviews, or both. That depends on what you need to know and the feasibility of high school students fulfilling the requirements. Finally, we share and interpret results. A response rate on our surveys tends to be between 100-200 respondents.

We will be ready to speak with you after our current project is done. Let's stay in touch as we have been so that the research group can start the process of learning about your work. Maybe, we can have a Google Meet next Monday or the one after. We meet on Mondays from 3-4 pm. Your thoughts?

Thanks,

Valerie

Number	Street	Comment	Small	Tall	Species	Common Name
Florence Park						
	Florence Park	see map		1	quercus alba	white oak
	Florence Park	see map		1	quercus alba	white oak
	Florence Park	see map		1	quercus alba	white oak
	Florence Park	see map		1	quercus alba	white oak
	Florence Park	see map		1	quercus alba	white oak
	Florence Park	see map		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
	Florence Park	see map		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
	Florence Park	see map		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
	Florence Park	see map		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
307	Frank	requested, BROW		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
307	Frank	requested		1	platanus acerfolia	london plane
307	Frank	requested		1	platanus acerfolia	london plane
211	Frank			1	cercis canadensis	redbud
225	Frank			1	cercis canadensis	redbud
207	Frank	plant inside fence (Doug Riley (914) 670-0414)		1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
207	Frank	plant inside fence (Doug Riley (914) 670-0414)		1	prunus sargentii	Sargent cherry
144	Frank	plant near dying tree, which will be removed		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
130	Wagner			1	quercus alba	white oak
124	Wagner			1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
218	Wagner			1	cercis canadensis	redbud
418	Wagner			1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
303	Jefferson	requested		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple

2021 TOTALS: **8 15 23**

Harbor Heights						
1508	Raleigh Road	charlenefaiella@yahoo.com		1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
1346	Raleigh Road	kforgit@gmail.com		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
	Warren Ave Park	see map		1	quercus alba	white oak
	Warren Ave Park	see map		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
	Warren Ave Park	see map		1	quercus alba	white oak
	Warren Ave Park	see map		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
	Warren Ave Park	see map		1	quercus alba	white oak

2021 TOTALS: **2 5 7**

Old Rye Neck South

701	Palmer Ct, plant on Palmer		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
	Palmer Ct green	plant on Palmer next to sign	1	quercus alba	white oak
	Palmer Ct green	plant on Palmer next to sign	1	quercus alba	white oak
320	Palmer Terrace	plant on Palmer Court	1	quercus alba	white oak
	Prospect Ave, library	NE side, small park with 2 benches	1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
311	Prospect Ave	Jennifer Leclair <leclair.jen@gmail.com>	1	quercus alba	white oak
317	Prospect Ave		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
350	Prospect	plant on Fennimore	1	platanus acerfolia	London plane tree
350	Prospect	plant on Fennimore	1	platanus acerfolia	London plane tree
418	Prospect	plant on Heathcote	1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
418	Prospect	plant on Heathcote	1	quercus alba	white oak
506	Prospect	plant on Heathcote	1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
607	Prospect Ave		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
607	Prospect Ave		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
607	Prospect Ave		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
615	Prospect Ave		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
615	Prospect Ave		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
700	Prospect Ave		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
702	Prospect Ave	relacement -- requested	1	cercis canadensis	redbud
711	Prospect Ave		1	quercus alba	white oak
711	Prospect Ave		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
715	Prospect Ave		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
718	Prospect Ave		1	quercus alba	white oak
723	Prospect Ave		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
725	Prospect Ave		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
729	Prospect Ave		1	quercus alba	white oak
536	Munro		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
540	Munro		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
616	Munro		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
616	Munro		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
616	Munro		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
616	Munro		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
616	Munro		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
702	Munro		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
702	Munro		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
719	Munro		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
719	Munro		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
503	Munro	plant on Heathcote, requested	1	quercus alba	white oak
541	Munro		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
211	Maple		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
221	Maple		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
224	Maple		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
538	Stanley	requested	1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
309	Palmer, plant on Maple		1	quercus alba	white oak
304	Stanley, plant on Maple		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
315	Maple		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
345	Maple		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
420	Maple		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
225	Stanley, plant on Maple		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
225	Stanley, plant on Maple		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple

225	Stanley, plant on Maple		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
225	Stanley, plant on Maple		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
225	Stanley, plant on Stanley		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
225	Stanley, plant on Bishop		1	quercus alba	white oak
225	Stanley, plant on Bishop		1	platanus acerfolia	London plane tree

2021 TOTALS:

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Shore Acres, S. Barry Ave, Lawn Terrace

580	Lawn Terrace	plant on Guion	1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
580	Lawn Terrace	plant on Lawn Terrace	1	quercus alba	white oak
580	Lawn Terrace	plant on Lawn Terrace	1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
585	Lawn Terrace		1	prunus sargentii	Sargent cherry
576	Lawn Terrace		1	platanus acerfolia	London plane tree
576	Lawn Terrace		1	quercus alba	white oak
576	Lawn Terrace	plant on Harbor Hill	1	prunus sargentii	Sargent cherry
575	Lawn Terrace		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
561	Lawn Terrace		1	prunus sargentii	Sargent cherry
550	Lawn Terrace		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
550	Lawn Terrace		1	platanus acerfolia	London plane tree
545	Lawn Terrace		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
545	Lawn Terrace		1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
565	Lawn Terrace		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
565	Lawn Terrace		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
610	Stuart Ave		1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
625	Stuart Ave		1	quercus alba	white oak
630	Stuart Ave		1	cercis canadensis	redbud
640	Stuart Ave		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple
125	S. Barry		1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
125	S. Barry	plant on *****	1	cercis canadensis	redbud
304	S. Barry		1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple

2021 TOTALS:

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Harbor Island Park/Boston Post Road

Rushmore Side near water	replace new, dead tree	1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
Rushmore closer to Orienta Ave -- replace new, dead tree		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
Rushmore playground	replace dead cherry	1	quercus alba	white oak
Rushmore playground	replace dead cherry	1	quercus alba	white oak

2021 TOTALS:

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Washingtonville

Park	Washington @ Plaza		1	quercus alba	white oak
Park	Washington @ Plaza		1	cercis canadensis	redbud

2021 TOTALS:

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Oriente

512	Walton Ave		1	Prunus serotina	black cherry
1040	Seven Oaks Lane	plant 10' into property	1	prunus sargentii	sargent cherry
1040	Seven Oaks Lane	plant 10' into property	1	prunus sargentii	sargent cherry
1020	Seven Oaks Lane	plant 10' into prop, avoid invisible fence	1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
622	Stiles	Cara Schwartz, requested	1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
622	Stiles	BROW, requested	1	cornus florida	flowering dogwood
1015	Nine Acres Lane		1	quercus alba	white oak
1035	Nine Acres Lane		1	platanus acerfolia	London plane tree
1055	Nine Acres Lane		1	quercus alba	white oak
1055	Nine Acres Lane		1	platanus acerfolia	London plane tree
1055	Nine Acres Lane		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum
1055	Nine Acres Lane		1	quercus alba	white oak
1070	Nine Acres Lane		1	platanus acerfolia	London plane tree
1070	Nine Acres Lane		1	Liquidambar styraciflua	sweet gum

2021 TOTALS:

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Historic District

617	Brook	BROW location marked	1	cercis canadensis	redbud
303	Jefferson	requested	1	malus sugartyme	flowering crabapple

LONGO <mslglongo@optimum.net>

9/13/21 4:31 am

OVERDEVELOPMENT CAUSES FLOODING

To mayorandboard@vomny.org • jbarberio@vomny.org • ftavolacci@vomny.org

MR. MAYOR, VILLAGE TRUSTEES

MR. VILLAGE MANAGER, MR. BUILDING INSPECTOR

First of all I commend all Village employees, who worked during and after the Hurricane to help Village Residents. I commend the Village for keeping residents informed with the Emergency Announcements, which I read everyday.

Now that the Hurricane is over, let us reflect **WHAT CAUSES FLOODING.**

And what can be done to prevent our flooding situation to become worse.

Allow me to submit some comments.

1) OVERDEVELOPMENT CAUSES FLOODING.

In recent years I have seen many large apartment complexes built in our Village.

Many built close to our rivers. Many built with no trees or lawns. The rain has nowhere to drain.

Besides flooding, overdevelopment causes noise pollution, air pollution and the spreading of contagious diseases. Lower Westchester had one of the highest rates of COVID.

I am appealing to you to **STOP** the building of anymore apartment complexes.

2) CUTTING DOWN TREES CAUSES FLOODING.

In recent years I have seen many trees in our Village cut down for one reason or another.

I am appealing to you to **PLANT EVERGREEN TREES.** Especially near or on the banks of our rivers. The trees can absorb water, and help with noise and air pollution.

Planting deciduous trees is not good, since in the fall they shed their leaves, which often end in storm drains.

At your meeting this evening, I hope you can take my appeals into consideration.

Sincerely,

Ms. Longo

325 Anita Lane, Mamaroneck NY 10543

VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK
TREE COMMITTEE

CITIZEN PRUNERS WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH | 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM | (NO RAIN DATE)
HARBOR ISLAND PARK, NEXT TO THE SPORTIME TENNIS BUBBLE

The Village of Mamaroneck's Tree Committee is pleased to present a FREE workshop for anyone who wants to learn proper pruning techniques. You can determine whether a tree lives 15 years or 150 by the way you prune it (or don't). This workshop will cover when, why and how to prune; assessment, proper cuts, developing good branching habits, looking for defects, correcting problems and how much to prune.

If you are also interested in becoming a volunteer Village of Mamaroneck Citizen Pruner authorized to prune Village of Mamaroneck trees, attendance at this workshop is required. Citizen Pruners work from ground level using hand tools. Community Service credit will be given to high school students both for workshop attendance and for pruning hours. Pruning tools will be supplied but attendees should bring their own gardening work gloves. Please register by Friday, November 5th at:

REGISTER
ONLINE:



village.mamaroneck.ny.us/citizen-pruners

For more information, please contact Beverley Sherrid,
Tree Committee Co-Chair: bsherrid@optonline.net



Attachment 9
Rye Neck Student Supporting Pruning Workshops

Hello Beverley!

I am so sorry for such a delayed reply to your emails. First of all, it sounds great. I will attend the workshop on November 6. Also, don't worry about printing out flyers because I can print out a ton at school which will just be easier. I have to check with Dr. Feit about sending out an email to the district, but it should be possible. If not, flyers will be fine. As far as figuring out how we will bring training to the school, I think that it might be easier to do after the workshop if that's okay. I think the school would favor this idea and I will be happy to help you.

Thank you,

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I should be able to get copies of the flyer made for you by the Village if you will let me know how many you might need.

Beverley

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I would really appreciate your help with the pruning workshops! I'm attaching our flyer for the November 6 workshop, open to all residents. It would be great if you would like to attend, and even better if you would post it around the school and email it to Rye Neck parents and students. The Village will give community service credit both for attending the workshop and for time spent actually pruning afterwards. Also, of course, we would give you community service credit for your help publicizing it.

I also talked to Dr. Feit about the possibility of holding pruning workshops at the high school and for families at Bellows. Jerry Barberio, our Village Manager and a certified arborist, and the person who leads the workshops, is enthusiastic about bringing this training to students. It would be very helpful for me to work with you in setting up this program. Is there a time when we could meet, perhaps via zoom, and hammer out plans? If you'd rather wait until after you attend the November 6 workshop yourself, that's ok too.

Thank you for your interest!
Beverley Sherrid

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Hello Beverley,

My name is xxxxx, and I am a junior at Rye Neck High School. Dr. Feit reached out to me about your pruning workshop and initiative with the village, and I would be interested in helping you. I would be happy to take part in the pruning workshop on the 6th, do you want me to publicize it? I can make flyers to hang around the school, or send an email to some RyeNeck parents and/or students. Let me know what you think is best, I can also not publicize this one (if there will be more than one in the future). Also, how else do you want me to help with the Village of Mamaroneck Tree Committee? I unfortunately don't know many details about it or the objective, so a bit more information would be helpful.

Thank you so much,