April 27th 2021 MINUTES

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE TREE COMMITTEE HELD REMOTELY ON April 27th 2021 AT 7:30 PM

PRESENT:

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

- 1. Call to Order: 7:35PM
- 2. Approval of March Minutes

3. Correspondence:

a. <u>Stuart Ave</u> – Grounds Maintenance at Guion Creek Kate Weingarten request for clean-up of invasive ivy was dealt with by the Parks Dept. She was satisfied with the handling of it.

4. Old Business:

- a. <u>305 Fourth Street</u> The tree was found to be healthy and will not be replaced. We will check on the tree annually.
- b. 820 Woodbine Ave. Resident requested a tree and it was put on a call list. The tree was planted.
- c. <u>704 Shore Acre Drive –</u> 5 diseased elms were removed. The area needs to be graded and seeded. Tony said he will address it in the next two weeks.

- d. <u>404 and 407 Creek</u> a pruning request was made for broken and poorly pruned tree.
- e. <u>Palmer Court</u> crooked tree has been corrected but the stakes are still crooked. Picture was provided.
- f. 300 Boston Post Road There is a dead tree on BPR near The Toy Box that needs to be removed. Picture was provided.
- g. <u>Harbor Island Park, "HIP" near Firemen's Memorial</u>
 There is a pear tree growing in an evergreen that needs to be removed. The committee discussed repurposing the wood. Wendy suggested a bench for the playground however wood may not be heavy enough.
- h. <u>Palmer Ave. and Rockland Ave</u>. two dead trees need to be removed. Picture was provided.
- i. <u>325 Prospect Ave.</u> Dead tree needs to be removed. Picture was provided.
- j. <u>Florence Park Tree</u> (With yellow tape). Tree may just need to be pruned. Bev will ask Village Manager to take a look at it.
- k. <u>710 The Parkway</u> Bev will ask Tony to remove small dead tree.
- 321 and 325 Stanley Ave. Tree and stakes are crooked. Picture was provided.
- m. New Tree Plantings 21 small bareroot trees were delivered and planted. It was suggested to use 4 stakes instead of 2 to prevent leaning.
- n. Water Treatment Plantings Request Dan Sarnoff requested a county map of the underground architecture to ensure appropriate locations for trees. No response yet from George Latimer. Bev will follow up.
- o. <u>Metro-North Tree Replacements along Bishop and Hoyt</u> Still researching resident to help with a petition with community signatures to show their support.

- p. <u>Guided Tree Walk</u> Jason Pinto will be contacted regarding his event. Jocelyn Kleinman of Sheldrake Environmental Center will oversee the walk. Guion Bird Sanctuary was suggested. The dates recommended were May 16th and a rain date of May 23rd both Sundays at 1PM.
- q. <u>Clean Up/Green Up Day</u> Wendy and Ellen will attend event. They will have a table with maple seeds, dirt and cups to germinate the seeds. Gail to provide instructions to be handed out.
- r. <u>Essential Workers Tribute</u> The space at Rushmore at HIP was picked for this living tribute. White oaks, tupelos and sweet gum were suggested. Plants need to be 32 feet apart. Curved stone benches were suggested.

5. New Business

- a. <u>Proposed Educational Webinar</u> It was suggested to invite Douglas Tallamy author of The Nature of Oaks: The Rich Ecology of Our Most Essential Native Trees for a webinar. We need to determine the budget for this, and the logistics. The library will be contacted since they have interesting programs.
- b. Westchester Tree Canopy Initiative: Ellen Silver from the Committee for the Environment provided detailed notes for the Restoring Mamaroneck's Tree Canopy. Notable mention: Mt Vernon was designated as a tree city.
- 6. Next regular meeting Tuesday, May 25th, 2021 at 7:30PM
- 7. ADJOURNED 8:42 PM