WESTPORT TREE BOARD MEETING,, APRIL 4, 2018 (make-up for cancelled March 21mtg.) WESTPORT TOWN HALL, ROOM 309, 3 P.M.

ATTENDING: Dick Fincher, Al Gratrix, Peter Kolbrenner, Lori Meinke, Ed Picard, Dick Stein, Bruce Lindsay (Tree Warden), GUESTS: Lou Mall, Jim Marpe, Tony McDowell (Earthplace)

Meeting called to order, 3:05 p.m.

Minutes from 2/21/18 meeting approved and accepted.

LILLIAN WADSWORTH ARBORETUM:

- *Storm Damage Knapp Tree removed damaged trees and hanging limbs, future trimming planned.
- *Letter to abutting neighbors (prox 800 households within 3,000 ft.) written, distributed to Board for editing. Recommendations made for revisions, letter to be mailed prior to next meeting.
- *Fund-raising progressing, possible 5k Fun Run discussed and being evaluated.
- *"No Dog" signage to be installed at LWA\
- *Signage being installed by Earthplace distinguishing Earthplace/LWA borders.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS:

- *Two Stapled H.S. Interns confirmed for May-June.
- *SLOBS will check for possible future dates.
- *Ed Picard has spoke to Life Boy Scouts, possible volunteer work.
- *Westport Arbor Day (4/25/2018) Tree Board distributing saplings (300), Town Hall steps, 2-5 p.m.
- *National Arbor Day, 4/27/2018
- *Green Day, 4/28/2018, 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. Saplings to be distributed by Tree Board at LWA, publicized in Town Green Day flyers and Internet. (Possible chipping and some clean-up at LWA prior, coordinated by Tree Warden Bruce Lindsay.)

WESTPORT EVERGREEN. INC. (WEI):

*Logo in development

P & Z LANDSCAPE REVIEW:

* 35-36 Elm St., Aguarion, 54 Wilton Rd. all completed.

GRANTS:

*Application to Westport Women's Club has been submitted.

BOARD VACANCIES:

- *Lori Meinke will be resigning due to relocation, 4/30/2018. Possible prospects to be contacted and scheduled for interviews with Board.
- *Possible institution of a Youth position on Tree Board discussed.

NOTABLE TREES:

*Nothing to report.

SPRING TREE PLANTING PROGRAM:

*New Spuce planted near Starbucks. 35-50 Trees to be planted throughout town this Spring.

Meeting Adjourned, 4: 30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dick Fincher, Lori Meinke.

NEXT MEETING,4/18/2018, ROOM. 309, WESTPORT TOWN HALL, 4:30 P.M.