

Westport Tree Board Meeting
May 25, 2016, 4:30 p.m.
Westport Town Hall, Room 201

In Attendance: Tricia Rubenstein, Dick Stein, Ed Picard, Peter Kolbrenner, Dick Fincher, Lori Meinke, Bruce Lindsay (Tree Warden)

Meeting called to order at 4:40 p.m.

Minutes: Ed Picard motioned to approve the April minutes. Dick Stein seconded, all in favor.

Need for Board Secretary : Lori Meinke and Dick Fincher will co-chair.

Lillian Wadsworth Arboretum:

- *Two months of work completed by Eagle Scouts, B3, SLOBS, Staples A.P. Environmental classes, Green Day participants, and Staples senior interns.
- *Supervision of interns was by Tree Warden Bruce Lindsay and a rotation of Tree Board members.
- *Buying trip to Planters' Choice Nursery with interns included tour given by Daryl Newman. Plant materials purchased for LWA and planted by interns.
- *Conservation permit for small footbridge over wetland area connecting Wadsworth Trail to Earthplace (3' X 1 & 1/2') being pursued.
- *Received first America the Beautiful Grant check, \$8,500. Second Grant agreement forthcoming, awaiting approval.
- * \$200 donation received from SLOBS (Staples League of Boys in Service).
- *Permanent possible signage discussed. Engraving of roadside stone located at Woodside Ln./Stonybrook Rd. corner of property. Moving forward with temporary signage plans.
- *Address of LWA is 2 Woodside Lane, available on Google Maps.

Notable Trees: No report.

Old Business: Greening of Post Road – Long Range Project.

New Business:

- *Arbor Program – Friends of Westport Parks & Rec. to be invited to future meeting.
- *Veterans' Green enhancements.
- *Beautification Committee is looking for 2 new members.
- *Town Hall property improvements are awaiting approval (refining planting, picnic table, possible demonstration rain garden).
- *Al Gratrix will address 5013c status and P&Z ordinance update at the next Tree Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Lori Meinke, Dick Fincher

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