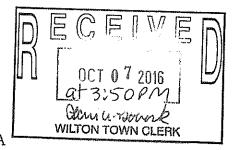
### WILTON TREE COMMITTEE

Draft Minutes

13 September 2016 Town Hall Annex, Meeting Room A



Present: Chair Kate Throckmorton, Susan DiLoreto, Nick Lee, Bill Meehan, Jackie Algon

# I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Kate called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the 11 May 2016 meeting were approved 5-0-0. The Committee agreed Jackie will be Secretary.

## III. TREE WARDEN REPORT

There was no report as Paul was unable to attend.

#### IV. ONGOING BUSINESS

- a. Center Tree Plan Status
  - i. The Committee agreed to name Barbara Quincy as Tree Steward next year. The committee will reach out to the Women's League for the Spring purchase of a shade tree for a location to be determined.
  - ii. Judy Jones would like a tree planted in her husband's name next Spring. There is a potential spot at Bank of America, we expecting Judy will contact them for permission.
- b. Updating the Tree Inventory

Tree tags: Trees tagging has continued.

c. Significant Tree List

Sycamore at Kellogg and Ruscoe, and the Red Oak at Deer Run Road, remain pending, until the owners agree to fill out the forms and have the committee measure the trees.

d. Tree Festival at Cranbury Park

Wilton may become less involved in this community activity next year, but agreed we should participate next year. The advantages of participating are networking with similar groups and government organizations. We should have follow-up articles in the local press for next year.

e. Tree Maintenance Review for Wilton Center

An update for tree maintenance priorities for Wilton center trees was discussed, we have asked our Deputy Tree warden to provide an update. Kate will check if any State grants could be utilized in the future to partner with land owners on follow up maintenance, as was done in the past.

f. The proposed education outline will remain on the Agenda

#### V. TREE LEGISLATION

- a. Bill 5150 did pass this Summer. This Bill regards Tree Wardens posting, DOT reporting on tree removal. To read/obtain a copy of it, search the internet for CT Raised Bill 5150 (An act concerning tree wardens' notices on trees and shrubs prior to removal, tree removal along state highways and clean-up by public utility corporations following certain tree removal.)
- b. Bill 5258 Remains pending.

# VI. COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLICITY

- a. Kate will write a fall article on Emerald Ash Borer update.
- b. The Committee received a letter of thanks from the Energy Commission.

## VII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

Emerald Ash Borer update: Emerald ash borer is confirmed with throughout Wilton.

# VIII. ADJOURNMENT TO WILTON CENTER TO CONTINUE TAGGING TREES Nick moved to adjourn; the meeting ended at 5:40 p.m. and members went to Wilton Center to tag trees

The next Tree Committee meeting will be Wednesday 12 September 2016 at 5 p.m. in the Town Hall Annex.

2 October 2016, J. Algon