WILTON TREE COMMITTEE

13 June 2018 Wilton Library

Present: Chair K. Throckmorton, S. DiLoreto, W. Meehan (excused at 5:40), P. Koellmer, J. Algon

Excused: L. Cherichetti; N. Lee

I. CALL TO ORDER

K. Throckmorton called the meeting to order at 5:16 pm. Peg Koellmer joined the Tree Committee and introduced herself.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

W. Meehan moved and S. DiLoreto seconded approval of the minutes of the May 2018 Meeting, as amended; they were approved 4-0-1.

III. TREE WARDEN REPORT

No report.

IV. ONGOING BUSINESS

- a. Center Tree Inventory and Plan:
 - i. No activity
- b. Significant Tree List:
 - i. No activity
- c. Tree Maintenance:
 - i. No report

d. Tree Education Course:

- i. Waiting to hear from Chris Roddick as possible speaker; he is lead Brooklyn Botanical Garden arborist.
 - Post-Meeting Note: Roddick asked to present on a weekend as he cannot get off work during the week. J. Algon asked him to consider a weeknight.

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. None

VI. TREE LEGISLATION

a. None.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLICITY

- a. Spring-Fall Newsletter Potential Topics: no activity
- b. Community Canopy Project:
 - 1. S. DiLoreto explained the Community Canopy Project to P. Koellmer. If there are 100-124 participants, there can be four tree selections. The Committee agreed to

have two understory and two shade trees as options. Funding options: Rotary and Kiwanis have their grant program deadlines on 15 May and 15 November.

a. Assignment: J. Algon to discuss with S. Knutson the possibility of holding the program in early Spring, 2019 to determine whether there is a conflict with the Garden Club's Plant Sale. The preference for a Spring sale is based on the Arbor Day Foundation not having their software for individual payment ready until Fall 2018.

VIII. Tree Legislation:

a. No activity

IX. ADJOURNMENT

P. Koellmer moved and S. DiLoreto seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting which passed 4-0-0; the meeting ended at 6:30 p.m. to be followed by a drive through Wilton Center to evaluate the condition of trees

<u>Post-meeting Decisions Concerning Future Plantings:</u> Blue Spruce for Town Center to replace the tree currently decorated for the Holidays. Five spots for future plantings identified on the Town Green and adjacent properties if permission can be obtained Two possible significant trees, a Silver Maple and a Sycamore, were observed at 151 Skunk Rd.

Assignments: J. Algon to inform owners and explain the process of applying for Signficant Tree status.

P. Koellmer with discuss permission to plant on Town Green with the management company for that area.

The next Tree Committee meeting will be Wednesday 11 July 2018 at 5 p.m. Location to be indicated on agenda.

21 June 2018, J. Algon