WILTON TREE COMMITTEE

8 November 2017 Town Hall Annex and Wilton Center

Present: Chair K. Throckmorton, N. Lee, W. Meehan, J. Algon

Excused: S. DiLoreto, P. Young

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

K. Throckmorton called the meeting to order at 4:08 pm.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

W. Meehan moved and N. Lee seconded approval of the minutes of the 11 October 2017 Meeting, which were approved as amended, 4-0-0.

III. TREE WARDEN REPORT

No report

IV. ONGOING BUSINESS

- a. Center Tree Plan Status:
 - i. Tree Plan: There are four trees in queue for purchase and planting in Spring, 2018, to be underwritten by N. Brown, Dibner family, Kaye (Presbyterian Church) and MacDonald. At the next meeting, we will do a walk-through to identify the locations for these. N. Lee suggests a gingko be among the four.
- b. Updating the Tree Inventory: no activity.
- c. Notable Tree List: no activity.
- d. Tree Maintenance Review for Wilton Center: No activity.
- e. <u>Tree Education Course:</u> J. Algon indicated that Andrew Brand, at Broken Arrow Nursery, will be unavailable for a lecture on Native Trees for Pollinators. N. Lee suggested contacting CNLA for recommendations of other speakers on this topic.

V. TREE LEGISLATION

No new legislation.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLICITY

K. Throckmorton has a draft article and will circulate it for comment.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a. The red oak tree near the Memorial Garden has been moved. N. Lee will alert S. Knutson (Wilton Garden Club President) that this action has occurred.

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- b. <u>Tree City Status</u>: E. Larkin has renewed the Town's status as a Tree City.
- c. <u>Alert of upcoming tree maintenance concerns:</u> K. Throckmorton circulated a draft memo to the DPW/BOS from the Tree Committee for review. W. Meehan moved and N. Lee seconded the approval of the draft with minor edits. It was approved 4-0-0.
- d. Pruning information to be posted on website: K. Throckmorton researched the Pruning Reference Model for ANSI A300 Standards on pruning, and found them to be very general. She will ask L. Cherichetti to consider preparing specifications for Wilton Center's trees, which would be posted on the website; we will also include a link to the ANSI standards on the website.
- e. Oak tree at the beginning of the NRVT on Rt. 7 at Wolfpit Rd (which is in the State's right-of-way): K. Throckmorton spoke with P. Sesto; the NRVT Board will consider the concern about the tree at their meeting this evening and
- f. The calendar of Tree Committee meetings for 2018 was added to the agenda by W. Meehan's motion and N. Lee's second and approval by all; the calendar was approved by K. Throckmorton's motion and N. Lee's second, voted 4-0-0.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

W. Meehan moved and N. Lee seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting which passed 4-0-0; the meeting ended at 4:50 p.m.

The next Tree Committee meeting will be Wednesday 6 December 2017 at 5 p.m. in the Town Hall Annex.

15 November 2017, J. Algon