Waterbury Tree Committee

May 22, 2017 Meeting – 5:30 PM

SAL Room - Waterbury Public Library

Present: Jane Brown, Chair, Steve Lotspeich, Karen Maurice, Chuck Kletecka, Barbara Blauvelt, Jack Carter

Minutes of March 23rd meeting were approved.

2017 Caring for Canopy Grant. We had applied for \$7,000 of which our matching portion would be \$3,500. We have been awarded \$3,000. There was discussion about how to make up the difference. It was agreed that we should continue with our original plan and spread the amount over two years. **Barb will check with Evergreen Gardens about the stock of trees** – Oaks, Maples and Catalpa Speciosa. **Jane will check on obtaining more Bur oaks (not part of the grant)**

<u>Arbor Day Conference.</u> Jane, Karen and Barb attended the event. Jane spoke about the conference and she attended the Tree Warden workshop. There is a vacancy for the Waterbury Tree Warden. Steve would like a member of our committee to apply. There was some interest within the group. No action.

<u>Ash Tree Inventory.</u> Steve will get a map. Discussion was tabled until June meeting. Stuart will contact Meredith about methodology.

<u>Street Trees.</u> It was decided to create a five year plan for other tree needs; Winooski and Union Streets were discussed as a need to look at possibilities. Walkabout might be a way to start.

Website. Chuck and Jane will look for pictures.

<u>Cemetery Outreach.</u> Painting the chain link fence was discussed again. Possible work day – June 17th. Barb, Jack Chuck, Jane expressed interest. Perhaps Rotary and other volunteers needed.

<u>Vegetation Management.</u> Tabled for future discussion.

Soul Training. The workshop has been postponed until September

<u>Other Business.</u> Jack mentioned that one of the two maple trees on Guptil Road side of the Center Green needs straightening.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM

Next meeting - June 19th at 5:30 PM - location to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Carter