Waterbury Tree Board

AGENDA Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Waterbury Public Library

Agenda: Review / Any changes or additions

December 9, 2024 TB Minutes: Review and Approve

Public Comments:

<u>Tree City USA</u>: Application for Waterbury application is due by February 1. Stuart has been in charge of this effort. Discuss and review data in draft application. Jane is providing the # of volunteer hours and sending these to Tom Leitz, the Town Manager,. Jane is setting up a meeting with Tom to review the application, and obtain support.

<u>O'Hear Court update</u>: VTrans cut back tree limbs that were seen as endangering neighboring property (fall 2024). A site walk to review potential work to clean up the Route 100 corridor is needed. Working in the State of VT R.O.W needs to be approved by VTrans. Discuss how to proceed, estimates for work, neighbor input, and funding sources etc as next steps.

<u>Community Path of Waterbury</u> - Jane emailed Katarina L., the Waterbury Rec Director to offer WTB help with selection and possibly planting of new trees along the path in 2025 and possible order of bare root trees from Branch Out Burlington with no response. Follow up is needed.

<u>Town grant application</u> - Tom Leitz contacted Jane in December about a Town application for a grant including any new tree planting within the historic, designated downtown. He asked for locations that the WTB might consider. The designated downtown area is very limited. Jane recommended that a few shade trees could be planted at the Winooski Street entrance to Rusty Parker and at the end of the Community Garden path — if the grant is successful.

Next (second Tuesday) WTB meetings: February 11, March 11, April 8

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Meeting minutes: Tuesday, December 9, 2024

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<u>Present</u>: Jane Brown (presiding), Nita Hultstrom, Marge Gulyas, Stuart Whitney

Agenda: accepted as presented.

November TB Minutes: reviewed and approved

Public Comments: None presented

<u>Tree City USA</u>: Application is due for submission by February 1. Quantitative data is sought for application. Jane will obtain # of volunteer hours from a report to be sent to Town Manager, Tom Leitz. A meeting with Tomwas suggested and supported to inform and obtain his support.

<u>O'Hear Court update</u>: VTrans came and cut back tree limbs that were seen as endangering neighboring property last fall. Continuation of this endeavor to clean up the Route 100 corridor was discussed. Estimates for future work, neighbor input, and funding sources next steps.

<u>Branch Out Burlington/ BOB :</u> tree planting, type and location discussed. Kyle Albee of BOB also has bare root trees available.

<u>Community Path of Waterbury</u> - Nita suggested contacting the Waterbury Rec Director to offer help with selection and possibly planting of new trees along the path in 2025. Jane will contact Katarina L. Rec Director. They could order bare root trees from Branch Out Burlington

WTB Meeting Schedule: January 14, 2025 (Second Tuesdays) February 11, 2025 March 11, 2025 April 8, 2025

Meeting adjourned: 7 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Stuart Whitney