

Town of Maynard
MAYNARD TREE COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, May 11, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Lee at 5:32pm via Zoom.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Leslie Bryant, Lee Eyster, Neil Pederson, Steve Smith and Danny Schissler
ABSENT: Jamie Butler and Justin DeMarco (liaison non-voting member)
GUESTS: Kate Wheeler

MOTION to approve the minutes of the April 20th meeting was made by Leslie. It was seconded by Danny and approved.

CURRENT ITEMS:

Welcome to our new Committee member, Danny Schissler.

Arbor Day final report: Justin sent congratulations to the Committee for a job well done, and at the event, Senator Jamie Eldridge noted that we are the only town in his district that celebrates Arbor Day. Katie Briggs, a Maynard High School senior, will take over weekday watering duties for the redbud trees that were planted. An Arbor Day event is a requirement for the town's maintenance of a Tree City USA designation. The Committee will assume responsibility for the Tree City annual report, and will decide at a future time if roadside signs should be purchased.

Downtown Arboretum Trees: the trees have been mulched. A Tree Corps group will water the trees planted last fall. Tree pruning for all of the trees should be done.

Tree Committee By-Law development: the group discussed revisions made to the definitions section. Additional questions and comments were made covering other sections of the draft. Additional input should be sent to Lee via email.

Regional Tree Organizations group (organized by Lexington Living Landscapes): Lee and Kate attended the first zoom meeting. Anyone from our tree groups is welcome to attend any meeting. This promises to be a very useful connection for us. Next meeting the topic is raising public awareness and appreciation of trees, scheduled for June 1, 7-8pm.

Davey Tree Survey data export project: progress is being made.

NEW BUSINESS

Farmers' Market information table date: Lee put in a request for July 30 for the Tree Committee/Tree Corps. This event will probably be a giveaway of small trees.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Leslie. It was seconded by Danny and approved. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.

UPCOMING MEETING: June 22, 2022 (subject to change)