

TOWN of SHELBURNE TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes of February 13, 2019

Attendees: Gail Henderson-King, David Hall, Jan Gannon, Ann Milovsoroff, Hope Johnson

1. **Call to Order** - Gail called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm.
2. **Review Agenda** - The agenda was approved as presented.
3. **Consider approval of minutes from January 9, 2019***-Dave made a motion to approve the minutes and Hope seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Citizen Participation (Opportunity for public comment on any Committee Business that is not included on this agenda)** -No citizen participation this month.

Lee Krohn has advertised for the vacant position on our committee. So far one person has expressed interest.

5. **Tree City USA Designation Renewal Application** – Discuss application due on February 14, 2019 and discuss Shelburne Tree City USA sign locations and potential relocation.

The Tree City USA application was submitted today to meet the deadline.

Gail created a form to track our volunteer hours to make it easier to complete the application. She will be emailing it to all committee members.

Next year we can apply for a growth award and the Tree City USA designation. The tree inventory, the EAB plan and educational opportunities are activities we can potentially include as part of the growth award.

National Arbor Foundation- Share your Arbor Day Celebration.

There is a link on the National Arbor Foundation website to click on your state and add your activities. Shelburne Arbor Day is May 4, 2019. Gail to add our activities to the link.

Ideas for Arbor Day

Purchase trees from Branch Out Burlington and plant them at the beach. Dave will be cutting down 3 Norway Maples at the beach that will need to be replaced. We could also plant trees along School Street, inter-planting new trees with the existing ash trees. There are also some

spots along Falls Road near the Cemetery that could use trees. Dave to contact Betsy Cieplicki about new trees at the beach.

Gail to review the list of trees from Branch Out Burlington and bring recommendations to the committee to discuss at our March meeting.

Gail to speak with Lee about different options for the location of the Tree City USA signs on the south end of town.

- 6. Town Meeting Booth** – Discuss possibly setting up a booth at Town Meeting with information on Emerald Ash Borer and Committee’s work.

Dave’s daughter Alexis needs a project for public service. She is going to develop a tri-fold on EAB and Hope is volunteering to man the table at Town Meeting Day. We will also hand out information from Vermont Urban and Community Forestry.

Gail will contact the town about setting up a table at Town Meeting Day, March 4, 2019 and having the town staff print out information to hand out to residents.

- 7. Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan** – Continue discussion on preparation of draft work plan, UCF Grant application update.

This was postponed to next meeting.

- 8. Tree Warden Report**

Dave has some tree planting standards handouts from The Arbor Day Foundation and Tree City USA. He is working with Lee as to find a location to store them, so the town staff has access to them.

Dave is working with the sewer department regarding the placement of the sewer lines to avoid impacting the oak tree. The decision was made to move them to protect the oak tree.

- 9. Other Business**

Hope will not be seeking another term on the committee. However, she is still very interested in helping with projects including working on the tree inventory. She is going to be looking for a replacement for herself on the committee.

- 10. Adjourn**- The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm by Gail.

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Respectfully submitted by
Jan Gannon, Secretary, Shelburne Tree Advisory Committee

Approved by Shelburne Tree Advisory Committee on _____

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