

**TOWN of SHELBURNE TREE COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes of June 10, 2020 Meeting**

**Members In attendance:** Gail Henderson-King, David Hall, Susan Dunning, Tod Warner, Ann Milovsoroff

1. **Call to order:** Gail called the meeting to order at 7:09 PM.
2. **Review Agenda** – Approved as presented
3. **Consider approval of minutes from May 6, 2020** – Should be minutes from May 19, 2020. The May 6, 2020 minutes were approved last month. Delayed until next meeting.
4. **Citizen Participation (Opportunity for public comment on any Committee Business that is not included on this agenda)** – None.
5. **Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan** – iPads will be sent for repair tomorrow. They need to be synced to include data from student inventory for final numbers for the report. The students have been paid their stipend. Committee members discussed various edits of the report. Much of this discussion focused on the Management Strategies section. We need the additional data from the iPads to be able to use the Cost Calculator properly. Susan has graciously offered to help with this part of the report. We have identified some first steps that can and should be taken this year. 5 Ash trees on the Parade Ground have already been inoculated, and an additional 9 trees in Town Center will also be inoculated soon. Dave is still waiting on bid proposals for this work. He has also earmarked several Ash trees for removal this Spring. Our current strategy is to try and take manageable tasks first, working from the center of town outward. With a minimal budget, this is the best we can do until the Select Board has a chance to review the final EAB Report and decide the best way to fund the program. Covid-19 will undoubtedly have an impact on funding this year.
6. **Proposed Policies and Specifications to pass onto Town Manager and Select Board for Review/Approval** – Gail will submit the final draft of the Tree Protection Specifications to be included in the current Public Works Specs. There are also some issues that need to be addressed in the Form-Based Zoning Regulations. Some specific issues that run counter to best Tree Management practices. Gail will forward the proposed Tree Protection Standards Specifications and other information to the Town Manager for Select board approval. We will probably need to present to the Planning Commission and/or Design Review Board to resolve conflicts between the Zoning Regulations and the Tree Policy. For example, trees should not be planted under power lines, although this is the way one project would be

proceeding if the zoning regs were followed. More discussion on this topic will continue next meeting.

7. **Tree Warden Report** - Dave mentioned that most of the Tree Warden Report has already been discussed throughout the meeting.
8. **Adjourn** Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary Tod Warner

Approved by Shelburne Tree Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ July 8, 2020 \_\_\_\_\_

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