

Minutes
Town of Bath Tree Board
October 18, 2023

Members Present: The Tree Board convened at 4:00PM. Members present were Tom Hall, Kate Lehman, Rebecca MacLeod, Lance Strait, and Andy Swaim.

Review of the Minutes: The minutes of the September 20, 2023 meeting were reviewed and approved by common consent.

Persons Before the Tree Board: local resident Craig Deane attended the meeting and took part in the discussion.

Proposed Ordinance Change: The proposed ordinance is ready for two readings by Council. Board Member Lehman will prepare a press release to inform the public of the readings.

2023 DCG: Sharron informed the Board that the check had been received.

2024 DCG: The notice to proceed has not been sent as of yet. Board member Lehman has begun talks with several nurseries in anticipation of ordering trees for the project.

Heritage Trees: A list of heritage trees will be compiled after the new ordinance goes into effect.

Combined Nov/Dec Meeting: It was decided to hold a November meeting as scheduled, and at that time we will decide if a December meeting is needed.

Treasurer's Report: During the past month, the Tree Board account had one credit and one debit. The credit: \$850.00 in hotel/motel taxes. The debit: \$15.60 to the Morgan Messenger for printing costs. The current balance of the Tree Board account is \$3254.22.

Branching Out: Board member MacLeod requested that stakes and wire caging be removed from the trees planted a year ago on Congress Street and in the planter boxes on Washington Street. Board member Strait recommended that the mimosa tree in front of Yost Antiques be removed. Board member Swaim will advise David Yost of the tree removal and Board member Strait will take care of these tasks.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Tree Board will be on November 15, 2023, at 4:00PM.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00PM.

Minutes submitted by Tree Board member Andy Swaim.