**Minutes**

**Town of Bath Tree Board**

**April 17, 2024**

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

Review of the Minutes: The minutes of the March 20, 2024, meeting was reviewed and approved by common consent.

Persons before the Tree Board: Craig Deane and Ye Towne of Bath Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution representative Gail Potter attended the meeting and took part in the discussions.

Old English Cemetery: Ms. Potter explained plans of the local chapter of DAR for cleanup on the cemetery. Ms. Potter was thanked and encouraged to keep Tree Board members up to date on their progress.

Three-Year Plan: Vista representative Trinity Lee has encountered problems using the Arbor Scope system. She anticipates being able to present a draft three-year plan at the May Tree Board meeting.

2024 DCG: Six trees have been purchased and will be planted this weekend. The Board is waiting on a partial reimbursement submitted on March 15, 2024.

Tree City USA: WV DoF approved our application. We have not yet heard anything from the Arbor Day Foundation.

Fairfax Green Spruce: Board member Lehman will confirm with Bartlett Tree Experts about the first treatment of the Colorado blue spruce. Craig Deane will remove the English ivy before treatments begin.

EquiTree Opportunity: Board member Lehman has been asked to provide a high-level summary of the grant parameters to the Town’s Grant Committee.

Baltimore Alley Tree: The Town is still working on insurance coverage.

Arbor Day Celebration: The Town Council issued a proclamation at the April 16 meeting. Arbor Day will take place on April 27, 2024. One hundred and twenty trees will be planted in a mini-forest at the Depot lot.

Source of Communications: This item was tabled until the May meeting.

Wilkes Street Tree: Board member Lance Strait will get estimates for trimming and removal of the tree.

Day of Mulching: Annual care of town trees will take place on Tuesday, May 14. Board member MacLeod will arrange with the Town crew to participate in the event.

Treasurer’s Report: During the past month the Tree Board has had two credits:

* $850.00 in Hotel/Motel tax distribution
* 6.59 in interest on our account.

The current Tree Board account balance is $2210.23.

Next meeting: The next meeting of the Tree Board is May 15, 2024.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20PM.

Minutes submitted by Tree Board member Andy Swaim.