

Minutes

Town of Bath Tree Board

September 18, 2024

Members Present: The Tree Board convened at 5:00PM. Board members present were Kate Lehman, Rebecca MacLeod, Dave O'Connell, Lance Strait, and Andy Swaim.

Review of the Minutes: The minutes of the August 21, 2024, meeting were reviewed and approved by common consent.

2024 DCG: The grant has been closed, with the final reimbursement to be posted to the Tree Board account.

2025 DCG: The first work to be done as part of the grant will be the removal of the silver maple in front of the library and the 3 Bradford pears on Independence Street. Lehman will contact Mike Merchant to verify that the work will be completed before Apple Butter weekend.

Autumn Tree Care: Two projects under consideration area composting trees at the Depot lot and raising canopies of several street trees. MacLeod will check with Public Works about the composting job. Lehman will check with Craig Deane about trimming the street trees.

Greenway Cemetery Trees: Several trees in the cemetery need to be removed. The cemetery board will be approached about sharing the cost.

Water Plant Trees: The Tree Board will wait on a decision by the Water Committee to determine if the ornamental cherry trees will be removed and replaced.

*Approved by Common Consent
10-16-24
Andrew Swaim*

Heritage Tree Program: The Board agreed to begin work on a procedure to document heritage trees in town, first on public property, then expanding to those on private property with property owners who wish to participate in the program.

Treasurer's Report: During the past month, the Tree Board account has had one credit: \$12.57 in interest. There has been one debit: \$195.00 to Bartlett's for treatment of the blue spruce in Fairfax Green. The current balance in the account is \$2082.74.

Next Meeting: The Tree Board will meet on October 16, 2024, at 5:00PM.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45PM.

Minutes submitted by Andy Swaim.