

2017 0308 Forestry and Beautification meeting minutes

Attending: Georgette Cole, Chair, Audrey Maskery, Deborah Mehlferber, and John Compton.

Budget for FY 2018 proposed to Mayor and TC: Contract tree removals increase from \$20,000 to \$22,000. Contract tree pruning increases from \$15,000 to \$17,000. Forestry and Beautification Plantings remain at \$4,000. Licensed tree expert (not used this year) reduce from \$2,500 to \$1,000. Gypsy Moth spraying (not used this year and gypsy moth egg case counts very low) remain at \$1,000. Tree Planting-- Parks and Residential increase from \$15,000 to \$20,000 (includes seasonal help for watering trees).

We discussed possible planting locations for spring trees. Need to find out when the Stadler Nursery spring tree sale starts.

Town Bulletin: Audrey's series on identification of non-native invasive plants has ended. Future topics are welcome.

Next meeting April 12.

Adjourn 8:30pm.

Submitted by Georgette Cole, F&B Chair