

**VILLAGE OF ESSEX JUNCTION  
TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014 AT 5:30 PM  
LINCOLN HALL MEETING ROOM  
AGENDA**

- Minutes Review;
- Management Plan Review;
- Future Tree Planting Initiatives;
- Pruning Update;
- Public Input.

*MINUTES SUBJECT TO CORRECTION BY THE ESSEX JUNCTION TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE. CHANGES, IF ANY, WILL BE RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE.*

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TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
OCTOBER 6, 2014**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Nick Meyer, Warren Spinner, Rich Boyers

**ADMINISTRATION:** Darby Mayville, Community Relations and Economic Development Assistant

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 PM by Nick.

**2. ADDITIONS OR AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA**

Darby asked the group to add a resident request to review a fungus sample. All agreed.

**3. MINUTES REVIEW**

**MOTION by Warren, SECOND by Nick, to approve the September minutes. VOTING: unanimous; motion carried.**

**4. REVIEW OF RESIDENT REQUEST**

Darby informed the committee that a resident had come to a recent Trustee's meeting with a request to burn yard waste. His reasoning for this request was that it would help to eliminate the fungus growing on various plants and trees in his yard. The Board referred this issue to the Tree Advisory Committee.

At the Trustee's meeting, the resident presented the board with a sample of this fungus. This sample was then given to the Tree Advisory Committee for their review.

Warren examined the fungus and said that it was difficult to determine what it was, due to the fact that the leaf and fungus growing on it were both dead. There was also no label on the sample to indicate what type of plant it came from. He said that the committee could make a better determination with a labeled live sample. He also noted that he did not believe that burning would make any type of difference in the growth of a fungus, and that hauling the waste to CSWD should be sufficient to prevent its spread.

**5. FUTURE TREE PLANTING INITIATIVES**

Nick said that he would be doing a ride along with Public Works in order to determine optimal planting locations. He also mentioned that he and Elise, who works for the Vermont Urban & Community Forestry Program went to Fleming School to show the students how to identify trees.

## 6. PRUNING UPDATE

Nick stated that Rick Jones, Public Works Superintendent, has received two bids for the pruning. Warren said that he will call Rick later in the week to follow up with him. Both quotes seem fairly reasonable.

Warren mentioned that the Fire Department has some concerns about some trees growing on Pleasant Street. There is also a potential problem tree on School Street.

## 7. MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW

The committee reviewed the management plan paragraph by paragraph making edits.

## 8. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

## 9. MEETING SCHEDULE

### Next meeting

- November 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM

### Agenda Items

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## 10. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION by NICK, SECOND by WARREN, to adjourn the meeting. VOTING: unanimous; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Darby Mayville