Village of Essex Junciton Tree Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting October 6, 2015

Members Present: Warren Spinner, Nick Meyer, Rich Boyers, Mary Jo Engel

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 by Nick

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the August meeting minutes was made by Warren. Minutes approved unanimously.

3. Tree Walk

Mary Jo commissioned an artist friend to design a graphic on the cover of the tree walk pamphlet. Mary Jo is working on schematic for a tree walk marked with trees. The Tree Committee needs to schedule a walk to make sure the trees are accurately identified. Pamphlet text needs to be reviewed for layout, verbiage and other editing issues.

Nick suggested the tree walk could be launched with an already planned event at Maple Street Park. Rich suggested we invite people for a run through this fall and ask them to give us feedback, and then a more public launch for Arbor Day.

Warren suggested that pamphlets could be weather-proofed (laminated) with a weather-proofed box.

Warren put out Saturday, Oct. 17 at 9:00 AM for a date to verify trees on walk.

The Tree Committee thanked Mary Jo for all of her hard work on the pamphlet.

4. Management Plan

The Tree Committee reviewed Robin Pierce's feedback to the management plan.

Nick shared South Burlington's landscape development code and suggested it might serve as a template for Essex Junction.

5. Potential Upcoming Events

Mary Jo suggested we organize another Brownell Library event on the benefits of tree.

Warren said that we should tie a presentation on the benefits of trees to the impact on global warming.

Nick suggested we schedule another pruning workshop.

6. Proposed Tech Center Nursery.

The Tree Committee would like to see a plan for the nursery before making recommendations.

Adjournment

Warren made a motion to adjourn at 7:00, Second by Mary Jo.

Respectfully Submitted, Rich Boyers