

**VILLAGE OF ESSEX JUNCTION  
TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2018**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Nick Meyer, Mary Jo Engel, Rich Boyers, and Tim Kemerer

**ADMIN PRESENT:** Darby Mayville

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Steve Rivard

---

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. MINUTES REVIEW**

Mary Jo asked the minutes to be revised to note that she did not suggest interplanting ash trees.  
**MOTION BY NICK, SECOND BY MARY JO TO ACCEPT THE AUGUST MEETING MINUTES, WITH CHANGES. ALL IN FAVOR.**

**3. UPCOMING EVENTS**

Nick said that the Darkroom Gallery would be hanging their tree exhibit later this week and would be holding a reception on October 13<sup>th</sup>. The Gallery asked Nick to create a poster so that interested attendees can learn more about the committee. This was drafted on the large computer screen. Darby will send the document to the Darkroom Gallery digitally later this week.

**4. EAB MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Warren submitted a draft plan, which was reviewed by the committee on the large computer screen. Several edits were made, and it was suggested that the document is converted into a Google Doc so that changes can be made in real time.

When the committee presents this plan to the Trustees, they also intend to ask for additional funds to be budgeted for ash tree removal.

**5. BUDGET REVIEW**

Darby said that she is continuing to work with finance to segregate the streetscape funds. Mary Jo said that the committee did not spend any money last month.

Tim reported that he had contacted Village Trustee Lori Houghton again regarding the committee's questions about the contents of the landscaping fund. Deputy Manager Greg Duggan will be following up with Development Director Robin Pierce on this issue.

## **6. OTHER**

Nick noted that he and Warren had met with developer Gabe Handy regarding the possibility of transplanting a tree on one of his properties.

Steve noted that Branch Out Burlington was ready for Essex to use a section of their nursery. Nick suggested collaborating with the high school to find volunteers to help care for the trees.

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted: Darby Mayville