

Advisory Committee on Trees – February 15, 2022

Present: Charles Jackman (Chair), Brian Townsend (Assoc. Director Public Works, Liaison), Ethel Dutky (recorder), Bob Trumbule (member), Robin Hawley Gorsline (guest), Leeanne Irwin (guest) Xavier Courouble (guest)

Call to order 7:10 PM at the Public Works Building

Reviewed and approved minutes from the January 18, 2021, meeting

Old Business

1. Recent Tree events, Brian Townsend

Brian showed pictures of several street trees which were damaged by storms. Most are being removed.

2. Introductions

Brian and all ACT members introduced themselves to our three visitors.

3. Decline in landscape trees.

We discussed decline seen recently in some landscape trees.

4. Significant Tree Walk/tour. Leeann Irwin

Leeann announced that there will be a third walk in the Forest Preserve to locate significant trees for inclusion in tours to be held in March or April. Charles suggested Sat. March 12 or Sunday March 13 at 1PM. Meet at sign for Greenbriar Park just off Hanover Pkwy.

5. Arbor Day Celebration

Brian read the plaque for the new Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial tree. The ceremony will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2022. Brian also passed out copies of Phase 1 Garden Shade Plan.

New Business

1. Lake Crest Drive Brian Townsend

Brian showed pictures and a map of a site where flooding is killing recently planted trees in the Lake Cove area of Buddy Attick Park, which is also near the Charlestown Apartments.

2. Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Tree.

Arbor Day is on April 6, 2022 which will be the date on the plaque.

3. PLANT (People Loving and Nurturing Trees)

Brian shared a letter from this group that refers back to 2017. Charles will send copies to all ACT members.

Adjourn 9:15 PM

Next Meeting Tuesday, March 15, 2022.

Submitted by Ethel Dutky