

# Montague Tree Advisory Committee

## Draft Minutes for Meeting 5/18/2021 6:30 PM, Online Zoom meeting

Present: David Detmold, Jeffrey Warren, Annie Levine, Rafael Vega, Melissa Patterson-Serrill (FRCOG), Walker Korby, Tom Sullivan, Suzette Snow-Cobbs, Bill Coddington,

- **Chair opens Meeting**
- **Minutes** April 13, 2021 approved with changes, motion R. Vega, 2<sup>nd</sup> by A. Levine
- **Online handouts:** Agenda, minutes April 13, 2021
- **Extension of grant - with Melissa from FRCOG**
  - Melissa writing up extension for grant
  - She's on vacation starting June 9<sup>th</sup>
- **Preparing for Spring tree plantings - with Melissa from FRCOG**
  - 2 weeks ago, 50 trees delivered
  - 28 trees could not be planted but locations being established this week
  - 6/1 delivery of trees confirmed at Transfer Station at 10am – 1:00pm
  - Melissa wants to find “batch” locations for trees on tree belts
  - This batch of trees being delivered are smaller trees for under powerlines
  - Vega will work with Melissa to update google sheets
  - DPW prefers 30' between tree locations
  - MTAC must come up with tree locations for this delivery
  - David inquiring about signs advertising trees for grant
- **Preparing for Town Meeting - David**
  - Bylaws will be presented at town meeting, last item on agenda
  - David will produce “pamphlet” to advertise bylaws
  - Phone tree will help bring in MTAC members to support grant while its discussed at meeting
  - Appendix status on bylaws? David, Walter, Andy
- **Filling in Tree Committee members**
  - Bill Coddington from TF interested, nominated to join by J. Warren, 2<sup>nd</sup> by T. Sullivan
  - Suzette is interested and is experienced with MTAC
- **Pruning Workshop**
  - Vega interested in structural pruning workshop
  - This will start in meetings and followed by onsite training
- **Unanticipated items**
  - Walker can obtain detailed list of water lines in Montague
  - Annie wants to find fruit tree locations
  - Tom and Walker would like to focus on tree replacement sites
  - Shall we contact John D from (park and Rec) about special tree sites
- **Next Meeting:** to be determined, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm via Zoom?