

**BRANFORD GREEN COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
HELD FEBRUARY 8, 2022**

**PRESENT:** David Minicozzi (*Dave*), David Colley, Don Gentile, Pat Sanders,  
Amy Graver, Cynde Jasek, Susan Rood, Susan McNamara

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm
2. **Parliamentary/Technical:**
  - a. **Minutes- David Colley** made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 2021, there being no regular meeting in December. **Pat** seconded the motion and, after due discussion they were unanimously approved.
3. **Updates & Old Business:**
  - a. **Correspondence-** resignation letter from **Bonnie McKirdy**; application letter from **Ann Freeman**; email exchange with **David Colley** regarding request for Town to remove snow adjacent to the Congregational Church.
  - b. **Status of the Green-** Multiple issues were discussed including: **i.** the white pine tree in back of Town Hall has been granted a reprieve, **ii.** the tree/shrub located at the left rear of the Academy has been removed, **iii.** the entrance to Town Hall Drive will be reconfigured as part of the Main Street Improvement Project. The Green Committee will be invited to attend a meeting with Town officials to be briefed on the plan, **iv.** **Davey Tree's** proposal for 2022 maintenance and care was presented. **Dave** made a motion to approve it, **Don** seconded and after due discussion it was unanimously approved; **v.** **Dave** had a chance meeting with **Jamie** and was advised the overflowing trash cans issue will be addressed.
  - c. **Special Projects-** tabled.
  - d. **Planting Plan 2022-** general discussion of trees to be planted in the upcoming year.
4. **New Business:**
  - a. **Green Use Applications-** a number of applications for various events were presented and discussed.
  - b. **Reports-** **Pat** reported the Garden Club will be emptying the baskets on the lamp posts along Main Street.
  - c. **Meeting with Abigail York-** a discussion of the December meeting with **Abigail York** attended by **Dave**, **Pat** and **Susan McNamara**. Materials presented included minutes of the meeting, a "Town Green Tree Inventory" map from August 20, 2018, a list of trees that have been removed and planted from 2018 to present, notes from **Pat** to **Abby** and a 7-page inventory of trees.
  - d. **Possible Tree Donation-** re-visited a possible tree donation from a local family.
  - e. **Arbor Day-** brief discussion of options for an event.

5. **Other- Dave** discussed the possibility of having a representative from the *Notable Trees Program* visit the Green to update its candidates; a proposed donation of a white spruce tree from **Shirley McCarthy** was discussed; it was reported that the two art pieces on the Green will be removed by April 1<sup>st</sup>.
6. **Adjourn-** upon motion by **Pat** and seconded by **Cynde**, after due discussion the motion was approved unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:30PM.

*The next Green Committee meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 5:30PM*

Respectfully submitted,

David C. Minicozzi, Chairman and Secretary Pro Tem