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**Community Forest Commission
Meeting Minutes for 05 / 18 / 2023**

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Topic: Community Forestry Commission May 2023 Monthly Meeting
Time: May 18, 2023 5:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Location: Joseph Trapasso Community House

Attendees: Ivy Bigelow, Shirley McCarthy, Patrick Sweeney

Meeting convened at 5:33 pm

1. Approve April 2023 minutes
McCarthy 1st, Bigelow 2nd, all approved
2. FY 2023 tree plantings
 - a. discussed web-form requests – redbuds are good options, Fall planting
 - b. CEC may have funds to support purchase of trees for Fall planting
 - c. Discussed small trees at softball fields - 2 redbuds would work. McCarthy will talk to A. Palluzzi
3. Other Business
 - a. Publicity/Education
 - i. Branford Festival booth - borrow canopy, tables from town
 - b. Website
 - i. Add P&Z plant lists and new UCONN native tree & shrub list
 - c. Regional tree commissions communications/activity
 - d. Annual award to local business – brewery is a possibility
 - e. P&Z Activity – guest speaker next meeting
 - f. Sweeney shared that he discussed monitoring & management plans with First Selectman and Tree Warden

McCarthy 1st motion to adjourn, Bigelow 2nd motion, all approved
Adjourned at 6:35 pm