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**Community Forest Commission
Meeting Minutes for 08 / 17 / 2023**

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STANFORD TOWN CLERK

Topic: Community Forestry Commission August 2023 Monthly Meeting
Time: August 17, 2023 5:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Location: Joseph Trapasso Community House

Attendees: Ivy Bigelow, Susan Hally, Shirley McCarthy, Patrick Sweeney, and Gary Zielinski

Meeting convened at 5:31 pm

1. Approve July 2023 minutes
McCarthy 1st, Halley 2nd, all approved
2. FY 2023 tree plantings
 - a. Fall – 273 & 285 Thimble Island Road
 - b. Over 50 planted in spring, maybe up to a dozen in fall
 - i. Sweeney will send Zielinski list of submissions received via web form
 - c. Ask web developer to remove dogwood from drop-down list
3. Other Business
 - a. Publicity/Education
 - b. Website – working group to meet to have detailed discussion about website
 - c. Regional tree commissions communications/activity – McCarthy will share compendium of benefits of trees & what legislation is needed for next session
 - d. P&Z Activity
 - i. Revision to Landscaping Ordinance (6.3) – McCarthy provided update, commission continues to support amendments
 - e. Inventory & monitoring
 - i. DEEP grant deadlines in spring
 - f. Annual award to local business – brewery might good, commissioners will visit site
4. New Business
 - a. Mulching issues – need to educate via distribution of pamphlets – Ivy will share list of businesses to target

McCarthy 1st motion to adjourn, Hally 2nd motion, all approved
Adjourned at 6:30 pm