

**Community Forest Commission
Meeting Minutes for 01 / 18 / 2024**

Topic: Community Forestry Commission January 2024 Monthly Meeting
Time: January 18, 2024 5:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Location: Joseph Trapasso Community House

Attendees: Ivy K, Doreen Larson-Oboyski, Susan Hally,
Shirley McCarthy, Patrick Sweeney
Absent: Gary Zielinski

Meeting convened at 5:32 pm

1. Approve November & December 2023 minutes
 - a. 1st motion Larson-Oboyski, 2nd Hally, all approved

2. FY 2024 tree plantings
 - a. Sweeney will resend form submissions to Zeilenski
 - b. send Zeilenski other suggestions ASAP
 - c. Bigelow will ask Laura Limone for current tree planting list
 - d. Sweeney will send to commission link to 2023 list
 - e. CFC managed tree planting imitative proposed
 - i. Sweeney will look for tree planting program metioned at CT forest forum
 - ii. Bigelow will contact Miche Palmer at URI

3. Other Business
 - a. Publicity/Education
 - i. February 1 at 1 pm there will be a presentation to Branford Garden Club
 - b. Website
 - i. Bigelow reports that updates are complete
 - c. Regional tree commissions communications/activity
 - i. Group met with group of CT legislators
 1. Discussed tree related bills
 2. Discussed undergrounding
 3. Scheduled meeting with Environment Committee
 - d. P&Z Activity
 - i. discussed Landscaping Ordinance revisions resubmission
 - e. Inventory & monitoring
 - i. Sweeney will share examples of Forest Management plans
 - f. Annual award to local business
 - i. Table until spring

4. New Business
 - a. Explore idea of convening multi commission meeting
 - b. McCarthy, Hally, and Bigelow visited several businesses about mulching

Bigelow 1st motion to adjourn, McCarthy 2nd, all approved
Adjourned at 7 pm

Mai Sweeney
BRANFORD TOWN CLERK

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