

TOWN OF WESTON
TREE ADVISORY GROUP
MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2020

ON LINE MEETING VIA ZOOM

Present: Lori Hess, Chair, Kristin Barbieri, Nina Danforth, Barbara Fullerton, Ed Recka, Jackie Jackson (DPW).

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am.

1. The meeting focused on Arbor Day Planting selections, locations and planting plan. We reviewed the 2020 Arbor Day Tree document, kindly put together and led by Kristin Barbieri.

The following updated list was determined as a result of that discussion:

DRAFT LIST - 2020 ARBOR DAY TREES - Update April 15, 2020

-Fifth grade tree (and 2 friends): location near field 13 going into middle school. On the borders of Nonesuch Brook, Conservation property. 2 willows, 1 smaller tree/shrub-red twig dogwood?



-Wellesley/School street new "bump-out" - 3 witch hazel or ground cover? (dig safe was there)

-Wellesley Street at Land's Sake: American elm or tulip (angled electric issue but not critical)

-117 near Lexington Street (east of 3 Donald Wyman crab apples planted last spring).

Possible 5 trees. Need to be short...wires...could be more crabapples or second best choice.

-Silver Hill/Westland - Winter King hawthorn or American elm



Pending meeting with Chris Gonzalez, Eversource

-small island between Ridgeway/Hubbard/Bullard - 3 trees (issues of possible bad soil, lack of irrigation, may need to be short to avoid wires)



-Chiltern large island (Chiltern at Ridgeway): Maybe 3 beeches (may need boulders to protect from people driving over). Possible second triangle of trees at other end. So request 6 trees.



Tree Sites postponed and reason:

- Library “tree lawn” island- 1 ginkgo tree at end of line. Discarded per feedback from Jackie.
- Fifth grade tree - replace dead tree (maple or pin oak?) by Field parking lot. Discarded because lights would go back up. Need a long-term plan on this.
- Middle School turnaround (by plaque on boulder). Dogwood? To be friends with large oak most likely). Per Alex Cobb, should be put on hold until HS/MS traffic study completed
- Field School/Basketball court - 3 trees, oak? Probably not going to get authorized right now
- Legacy Trail - delayed. Possible long-term spot for multiple fifth grade trees.
- Case Park - 3 trees (witch hazel?)

