

Montague Tree Advisory Committee

Minutes

Minutes from: 4/17/2017 **Place:** Turners Falls Senior Center

Address: 62 5th St, Turners Falls, MA, 01376 **Time:** 6:30 - 8:00

Committee Attendees: Michael Marcotrigiano, David Detmold, David Harmon, Suzette Snow-Cobb, Roberta Potter, Leslie Brown,

Committee not present: Walker Korby, Julie Kumble, Zhaohong Wen

Community present: Edite Cunha, Suzanne Lomanto, Sean Mahoney

6:30 Chair opens meeting

6:30 Minutes from 3/29/17 approved

6:35 Sean Mahoney - Introducing idea of forming a wood bank in Montague. Sean Mahoney, a new resident of Montague, is a forester with DCR and has experience with setting up woodbanks, currently there are two others in Ma he is connected with, one in Petersham and one in Athol. Wood bank will be discussed in more detail at next meeting, Information from Sean will be reshared with the group ahead of time.

6:50 Arbor Day events-

-Talk at Senior Center with Michael Marcotrigiano Logistics: Suzanne will provide a laptop, Roberta will provide a projector and screen. David D. and Suzanne will handle PR and advertising (in conjunction with other planned events).

Refreshments will be donated by Suzette, Leslie and David D.

-Arbor Day editorial for Montague Reporter: David D. will write and share a draft, committee members will read and make suggestions.

-Wed. 4/19 Bilingual Arbor day Children's event at the Carnegie Library
10:00 a.m.

-Wed. 2/26 Arbor day event at the Montague Center Library- Showing "The Man Who Planted Trees and Grew Hope"

-Thur. 4/27 Millers

7:30 Discussion progress of town's tree by-laws. Brief discussion, Dave Harmon shared a possible draft with some areas marked for further discussion.

Unanticipated discussions not on agenda-no votes taken

7:35 Millers Falls tree project update - a simple three question survey will be used at the upcoming precinct 2 pre-town meeting meeting to assess interest in new tree plantings.

7:40 In light of anticipated upcoming spring plantings-there will be a check in with the town tree warden. David D. and Michael will pursue a meeting.

7:45 Next meeting- Monday May 15th 6:30-8:00 Place to be determined.