

ESSEX TREE COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes 3/15/2022

In attendance: Augie Pampel, Ken Bombaci, Susan Malan, Phyllis O'Neil, John Malloy

Augie Pampel called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes approved

Treasurer's Financial Report

Augie Pampel submitted a treasures report that shows \$8432.97 in the Sinking Fund and \$1,800 in the general fund.

Discussion:

A. Pampel explained the difference between the Sinking Fund and the general fund.

Correspondence:

No correspondence.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

A. Pampel reviewed trees planted in 2021 with the committee.

A. Pampel shared a list of locations that are possibilities for new trees in 2022. He also asked the committee for other locations that might be used for new trees. Must be on town property.

P. O'Neil ask A. Pampel how we determine what trees to purchase. A. Pampel said that he worked with our planting vendor to determine species, size and availability.

S. Malan suggested trees be planted across from 149 Main Street in Ivoryton.

A. Pampel said he would check with land use office for boundaries in that area.

P. O'Neil suggested that a flowering tree be planted at 56 Main Street Essex.

Post Meeting: We will plant a Styrax at that location.

K. Bombaci suggested that the willow at Sunset Pond should be pruned to help prevent it from toppling over.

Post Meeting: A. Pampel made contact with Bartlett tree and they will maintain the tree crown.

S. Malan started a discussion with regard to the trees on the West side of Sunset Pond. At the end of the discussion it was decided to table that project for now because of the empty space it would leave.

A. Pampel talked about the donations we have received in the past year and the thank you letter we send to all donors. He also talked about the plaques that are hung in the town hall to display the donor names and the trees that were planted with their donation. Sample thank you letter is attached.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.