

Hartford Tree Board Meeting
October 15, 2024
Agenda
Hartford Municipal Building
5:00pm

Meeting Called to Order:

Mission: The Tree Board's mission is to plant and maintain public trees and advocate community tree stewardship.

Tree Board Vision: The tree board vision is to initiate an energetic community tree stewardship program, to promote education, tree plantings, maintenance, and ecological awareness, and to enhance the visual beauty of the Town of Hartford through the redevelopment of an historic tree canopy.

Business:

Review Minutes from September 17, 2024 Meeting

- 1) Tree Warden Report: Work was completed on the maple in front of Hartford Town Library. First they cabled it and then had to return to prune it more.
- 2) Riparian Buffer Project updates on 2023 and 2024 projects: Beaver damage of existing cottonwoods, replacement of cottonwoods with our nursery stock, mowing of Japanese knotweed and scheduling a work day to lift the crowns at Lyman Point i.e. cutting some low branches of boxelders and the oriental bittersweet vines. Planting of 7 trees in the park is still on schedule for late Fall. Completing report to Vermont Urban and Community Forestry Program (VUCF)
- 3) Preparations for a Tree ID walk on November 1st which will be supported and advertised by Ben Lay, an employee of the CO-OP Food Store on Maple St.. He has been "tasked with building an events and education catalog" by the store.

Follow up on exposed roots of mature Norway Spruce at Hartford Point Cemetery that was discovered during Tree ID walk.

4) Tree of the Month report

5) Urban Forestry News Items: Davey Tree owner of Chippers opens Biochar facility in Ohio and why fall fertilization of stressed trees is a good idea.