

Wethersfield Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

For Monday June 13th, 2016 @7pm in the Employee Lounge, Lower Level, Town Hall

Attendance: Corey Christians, Bruce Graver, Alex Graver, Joe Hickey, Mark Alpert

1- New Business-

Request to remove white pine row at 36 Sunset Blvd due to root damage from paving repairs.

-approved – at least 3 white pines will be removed

Request to remove declining sugar maple at 85 Broad Street.

-approved

Request to remove elm at 95 Broad Street due to ongoing root/sewer conflict.

-declined - The commission declined to approve removal of a town elm tree at the right front of 95 Broad Street. The commission recommends that the sewer line be replaced because it may be defective, allowing roots to enter. It is also likely that roots from multiple trees (both private and town) are in contact/in the vicinity of the sewer line. The sewer line replacement excavation route should be identified. Then, if the excavation plans pass through a critical root zone of any town trees (and if the residents of 95 Broad Street choose to pursue sewer line replacement), town trees will be removed as necessary so that excavation of roots does not cause them to be unreasonably risky and/or in order that line replacement be possible. Both town trees in the vicinity of 95 Broad Street are currently healthy.

E.A.B. Update –

Dismantled several infested dead ash tree in the vicinity of the bike path between Church St and Wells Rd.

Dismantled 4 infested ash trees over Nott St/ Nott St sidewalk near the intersection of Folly Brook Blvd.

2- Public comment-

There was a discussion regarding the removal of a damaged Norway maple across from 200 Main Street.

3- Adjournment-

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