

**Action Sheet**  
**Trees & Greenery Meeting**  
**August 14, 2013**

- (1) Minutes: Minutes of July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting accepted
- (2) Tree Removal Requests:
  - 265 Colonial Drive - Approved [Noted that trees are needed on the opposite side of Colonial Drive in this area]
  - 903 Middle Street - Approved
  - 156 Woodlawn Circle - Approved
  - 14 Wallis Road - Approved
  - 350 Broad Street [Mark and Holly Adamy, owners of the property] requested that the tree be saved but significant evidence existed of danger and tree to be removed. It was agreed that 1 or 2 new trees would be planted at that location in the spring of 2014.

Trees Recommended for Removal Consideration at a Future Hearing:

- Rockland Street (above tennis courts)
  - Parrott Avenue Parking Lot
  - Northwest End of Pierce Island Bridge
  - 295 Thornton Street
  - 845 Woodbury Avenue (in front of St. Catherine's Rectory)
  - 864 Woodbury Avenue
- (3) Ceres Street Update: It was determined that the cost of the proposed planter would be in the \$1,700 range. Because of budgetary constraints, Todd Croteau approached the Ceres Street group about a cost sharing agreement. They indicated they did not desire to proceed with that approach at this time.
  - (4) Update on Tree Ordinance: Discussion about the proper number of voting members. Problems would be created if only 7 members as one of the present members would not qualify. It was agreed that it would be recommended that the second sentence under Section 1.412 would read as follows:

The Committee will consist of ~~seven (7) members~~ up to nine (9) voting members including the following: City Manager or designee, tree warden or designee, the Public

Works Foreman (or designee) in charge of tree maintenance;  
and ~~four~~ up to six (6) individuals with an interest in trees and  
public greenery.

There is one other grammatical issue cited by Dick Adams who will get  
back to the Chair with that suggestion.

(5) Old Business:

- 213 Aldrich: Discussed most recent letter from the Hart family concerning Silver Maple in front of their home. It was discussed that if all Silver Maples were removed because of occasional falling branches, that all in the City would have to be removed. Discussion about the fact that the new City Sewer Separation Project may extend as far as the Hart home, which would probably result in a new plastic pipe being installed under the sidewalk which would be helpful in addressing issues created on that section of the sewer line by the existing clay pipe since the Harts are concerned that the roots go into the existing sewer. Public Works Director Peter Rice to determine whether the Sewer Separation Project will extend as far as 213 Aldrich Road and will communicate to Chair who will write a letter to the Harts concerning the Board's action.

(12) New Business:

- 214 Concord Way: Public Works Director Peter Rice reported that a City planted tree had been removed by an owner at that location (owner thought that he had killed the tree). Deciduous tree replaced with a coniferous tree. Public Works Director Rice to determine the type of tree that was removed and Committee members AJ Dupere and Dennis Souto to review the coniferous tree to determine if it is suitable for that location. Public Works Director will send a letter to the owner indicating that removing of City tree was not proper and that the proper method is to contact the Public Works Department.
- Spring 2014 Planting Location: Dick Adams suggested that the Committee begin to prepare the list of spring planting locations and that rather than doing site walk on the coldest day of the year (as has happened in the last two years), that we plan to do a site walk in September or October.