

Ridgefield Tree Committee

Ridgefield, Connecticut

Minutes from the February 16, 2011 Meeting

Members present:

Joe Eltz, David Andry, Nancy Boersma, Tom Venus, Will Molyneux and Tree Warden, John Pinchbeck

Absent:

Vicki Yolen

I. Meeting called to order at 4:40pm

II. Minutes of the January 19, 2011 meeting were approved.

III. Treasurer's report:

Bank account balance as of the end of January '11 = \$4,155.69.

David Andry will be submitting a report on the funds collected for the memorial tree fund.

IV. New Tree Committee Meeting: General Discussion

V. Changes: General Discussion

VI. Tree Warden's report

General discussion about tree removal projects as well as CP&L tree pruning throughout town.

John attended an Emergency Operations Center / Incident Command Center meeting which was sponsored by the Fire Department. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Town's preparedness in the event of an emergency and how the Town would coordinate with the State.

John mentioned the annual Tree Warden dinner was planned for 3/31/11 at St. Clements castle in Portland, CT.

John briefed the committee on a presentation about plant diversity which was hosted by the Garden Club.

VII. Old Business

Notable tree project: Nancy contacted the Assistant Superintendent who handles curriculum to discuss who should receive copies of the Notable Tree books within the Ridgefield schools and determine the best way to distribute them.

Additionally, it was decided to reach out to the Ridgefield Conservation Commission to see if the Tree Committee could attend one of the RCC meetings and distribute the Notable Tree books to each RCC member.

Nancy spoke with Ellen Burns from Books on the Common about having a photograph taken to publicize the revised edition of the Notable Tree book. Nancy reported Ellen is receptive to the idea. Date and time for the photograph to be determined.

VIII. New Business: None

IX. Meeting adjourned at 5:45pm

(Motion by Nancy Boersma, second by Vicki Yolen)

Minutes respectfully submitted by Joe Eltz