

Tree Committee

Ridgefield, Connecticut

Minutes- April 22, 2009 Meeting

Present- John Pinchbeck (Tree Warden), Nancy Boersma, Joe Eltz, Priscilla Holmes, William Molyneux, Tom Venus & Vicki Yolen

Absent- David Andry

Call to order- 4:30pm

From 4:30 to 4:45 the committee bagged Norway spruce seedlings for the Arbor Day Celebration.

Treasurer's Report- As David Andry was not present John Pinchbeck reported a balance of \$5509.54.

- \$2000 was donated to the tree committee for new trees by the Boy Scouts.

- It was reported that \$85 was needed for the printing of the page inserts for Ridgefield's Notable Tree Book.

- Vicki Yolen reported that she has collected three more checks for \$25 towards the Arbor Day Celebration.

- \$875 was collected towards the Arbor Day Celebration.

- \$750 needs to go to Douglas Tallamy.

- \$166.76 & \$51.61 is to be paid out for Banners.

- Norway Spruce seedlings cost \$200.10.

- John Pinchbeck to get \$37.00 for printing charges.

- \$231.67 is needed from the Tree Committee account.

- William Molyneux made a motion to use Tree Committee funds to cover the \$231.67. Tom Venus seconded the motion.

Arbor Day Celebration and Native Plant Symposium- Vicki Yolen went over the schedule for Saturday April 25, 2009 Arbor Day Celebration. Vicki Yolen and the other Tree Committee members engaged in a lengthy conversation about what was expected from each Tree Committee member for the celebration. Vicki Yolen assigned each member a job to help the celebration go over without a hitch.

Tree Wardens Report- John Pinchbeck reported that Ridgefield was

designated Tree City USA for 8th straight year.

-John Pinchbeck read a letter from Chris Donnelly congratulating Ridgefield for it Tree City USA designation.

-John Pinchbeck reminded the members of the Tree Committee that May 4th is the budget meeting at Town Hall and that the vote is on May 12th.

As the meeting was running late Joe Eltz made a motion to table the rest of the agenda (New Notables, Town Projects, Other Reports and Old Business) for the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Nancy Boersma.

Adjournment- 6:08pm

Next Meeting May 20, 2009

Minutes Taken By William Molyneux