

Helena Bailey Spencer Tree Committee Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2023

The Suffield Tree Committee meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm by Chairman Sue Mayne. Present were Sue Mayne, Kacy Colston, Joyce Zien, Connie Murray and Judith Hanmer.

The Secretary's report was approved.

Treasurer Kacy Colston presented her report as updated with the latest information available. Report was accepted.

The committee regretfully accepted the resignation of Ginny Bromage from the Suffield Tree Committee. Kacy nominated Judith Hanmer as the new Secretary as Ginny's resignation included that of the job of Secretary. Connie seconded the motion and it passed.

Sue reported that this year's fall trees from the 10 year plan had been planted.

A grant from the Suffield Greater Together Community Fund (SGTCF) at the Hartford Foundation to provide free trees for Suffield residents was a success. 15 trees, tagged with information about Trees for Suffield and SGTCF were donated and planted to those who applied and promised to water and care for them. The town helped with tree pick up and delivery.

A Thanksgiving Redwood, donated by the Tree Wardens' Association of CT, was planted in honor of Tom and Nikki Deupree in early November with a moving ceremony. Assistance from the Town with tree planting was greatly appreciated.

Future sites and some requests for planting were discussed with no decisions made.

The Tree Committee will have a booth at the December Farmers Market on Saturday December 2 from 9-3. We will purchase 20 lemon cypress trees to sell at the event.

Trees for Suffield will help host Open Mic evening at the Suffield Senior Center on January 18 from 5:30-7:30 sponsored by Parks and Recreation. We will sell gourmet desserts and coffee.

Parks and Recreation, Trees for Suffield and the DAR will have a Family Tree evening on February 1 5:30-7:30 with a snow date on February 8.

The Photo Contest opening reception will be on April 19 at the Hatheway House Visitors Center. The show will be a part of the Suffield Art Walk on April 20.

The meeting was declared closed at 4:05.

Judith Hanmer, Secretary