

Helena Bailey Spencer/ Val Gallivan Tree Committee
October 4, 2024

The Helena Bailey Spencer and Val Gallivan Tree Committee held a special meeting, by zoom, on October 4 at 3pm.

Present were First Selectman Colin Moll, Connie Murray, Marie Gauthier, Joyce Zien, Todd Mervosh, Anita Wardell, Judith Hanmer and Chairman Susan Mayne.

The meeting was called to order at 3:05. Chairman Mayne introduced Tyler Mynard from Bartlett Tree Experts. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss two areas of the proposal sent by Bartlett that were discussed at the September special meeting but not budgeted for.

The decision of the Board at that time was to hold pending more information on the proposals to provide special mulch in the affected areas of the project and to provide preventive care and observation to the weakened trees during and after the proposed Crosswalk Project.

The cost of the mulch spread included its placing and removal. Mr. Moll suggested that the town workers could remove the mulch at the end of the Project, (an estimated savings of \$500-\$600). After additional explanation from Mr. Mynard who encouraged the Board to provide the mulch and the preventive care, Connie Murray moved that the Board vote to spend \$3000 and Anita Wardell second the motion. The Board voted unanimously to spend \$3000 to cover the cost of the preventive care and the mulch as originally proposed.

Chairman Mayne asked Mr. Mohl about the possibility of changing the crosswalk to a different area which would not be as intrusive to the 7 trees involved. He indicated he would check with the state.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:52.

Judith Hanmer, Secretary