

Newport Tree Commission

Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, July 11, 2006

City Hall, 43 Broadway, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 7:00 p.m.

As Dave Brown winds down his era of being chairman, each remaining meeting this year will be moderated by a different Commission member.

1..... Preliminaries

- 1.1 Attendance.
- 1.2 Welcome to our newest Tree Commission member, Marilyn Bunnewith!
- 1.3 Review/acceptance of the March 14, 2006 minutes. (There was no May meeting.)
- 1.4 Volunteer hours since January 10 (Arbor Day inputs and other).

2..... Tree Warden Scott Wheeler's Report

- 2.1 Street tree planting program. Need to publicize?
- 2.2 Other planting and maintenance updates.
- 2.3 Tree pests of current concern. Need to guide public?
- 2.4 Scott's roles in assessing private development proposals may need formalization?

3..... Review of the April Earth/Arbor Day Tree Planting Events

Thanks to Connie Daly, Jim Sullivan, Jeff Curtis, Charlie Ridolf, Scott Wheeler and others! Useful learning and inspiration took place? Suggestions for next year?

4..... Other Business and Updates

- 4.1 New tree-related happenings these days in companion circuits?
Preservation Society? Restoration Foundation? Tree Society? Garden clubs? Housing Authority? Critical Area Review Committee? Scenic Roadways Committee? North End Plan? Others?
- 4.2 Ideas/questions on improvements related to trees in Newport's Comprehensive Plan and ordinances? (Susan Ruf has agreed to be our "point person" on this.)
- 4.3 New web site ideas/status (Jim Sullivan).
- 4.4 Ethics statements for City Council (Commission members being asked to sign).

All interested persons are welcomed.

The next meeting will be in two months, Tuesday, September 12, 2006, 7:00 pm.

Note! It will not be in City Hall, because of the election primaries. We'll meet this time in the **Rotary Board Room, Newport Public Library, Aquidneck Park, 300 Spring St.**

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