

JOHNSON TREE BOARD
Meeting Minutes

DATE: June 21, 2017

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Village Green

Present: Sue Lovering, Rob Maynard, Louise von Weise, Dorcas Jones

Absent: Noel Dodge

There was discussion about the area around the Cold Spring regarding clean up and maintenance. Sue mentioned the Town/Village is aware of this and has a plan to involve someone to take care of this project.

The Japanese lilac tree in front of the Downtown Pub looks to be in poor health. Previously it was doing well but now the leaves are gone and it seems to be failing. It is still alive and we will monitor it for a while before seeking a replacement.

We discussed the possibility of getting additional cages to protect the trees . These are expensive and we need more information before we proceed. We will try to find availability of sources and costs.

The Sargent family has donated funds for a crabapple tree to be planted in memory of their family. From a discussion with Troy Dolan, Village Water & Light foreman, we find it can be planted in the site near the intersection of Pearl and School streets where a large silver maple was recently removed. We will discuss further when this will take place.

For our responsibility to keep the village trees properly watered, we have asked various business owners for permission for us to have access to their outside water supplies. Many have graciously offered their consent at this point: Butternut Mt Farm, Mark Woodward, Studio Store, George Pearlman, Dream Café, Downtown Pub and Maplefields. Members will continue making additional requests of the other businesses.

After the business agenda was complete, we moved to do maintenance of weeding and clipping on the graded trees in the village and a bit to the west. We will continue with this on Pearl street and beyond soon.

Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be on July 19,2017 – location TBA

Submitted by Dorcas Jones