

Meeting Minutes 4/28

Attendees: Bill Calderwood, Mario Cardenas, Christian Bilodeau and Malcolm Carley.

We located potential sites in the town corridor for immediate planting and long term plantings. For some sites there is only one species recommended. By 5/9 Bill will compile the stump grind list. After grinding, DPW will need to remove material, replace with dirt and plant grass. Bill is obtaining the estimate for the yearly elm injections. Below are listed the location and type of tree proposed:

At the Common and Little Common (priority 1, 3, 4, 5 and 9):

1. Kousa dogwood needs to be moved back to the Congregational island ASAP.
2. White Oak (Red Oak is second choice) on the corner of the Antique shop-- must be small caliper
3. Disease Resistant Elm (Washington, Princeton or New Harmony) across the street from the Antique shop (close to where #2 used to be)
4. Sugar Maple ("columnar" if available) across from the General Store (close to where a previous sugar maple was)
5. London Plain (elm is an alternate) at the street corner of the "real estate" common (across from the General)
6. A spruce or other species for another Christmas tree (on the mound previously discussed)
7. Disease resistant elm on Elm St. across from lovers lane to replace previous elm
8. Armstrong Red Maple (or elm or other red maple) north of the Phair Elm
9. Sugar Maple ("columnar" if available) on the northeast end of the Little Common

Over by the library (priority 10, 11, 12 and 15):

10. Green Mountain Sugar Maple (located farther away from the library to replace the large one that was recently taken down)— the stakes were located as had been previously been discussed with multiple groups
11. Bright red maple to the north of 10 next to stone wall
12. Red maple (disease resistant elms; white and/or red oaks) to create asymmetrical plantings and more shade along pavement between library and 111 to replace shade of horse chestnut that has limited time (use as first grade planting for ~3 years?)
13. Red Maple across the street from the baseball field (non-road side of rock wall)
14. Katsura located to the south west of the elm closest to the library
15. Disease resistant elm south of the school driveway on Pond Road (replace tree hit by DPW)-- eventually may have 2-3 more trees here.

The desired tree caliper is 1.5-2.5" if possible. For this spring, if possible, it is desired to plant 4 trees on the Common and 4 trees down by the library.

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