

Town of Harvard

Agenda: Elm Commission Meeting 2 May at 7:30 PM; location at the Hildreth House

Review Potential Actions

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1. Review elm fungicide injection past and present plan (June injection estimate is \$3,422).
2. Discuss logistics of tree grant planting (budget, timing and other details will be discussed).
 - a. When to plant (budget constraints, nursery inventory, volunteer availability...?)
 - b. Notified of grant on 25 April 2018. When do grant funds have to be spent? Once a planting date is chosen, then the preparation plan may change (i.e. DPW could dig parking lot holes in summer and fill with top soil if planting is delayed).
 - c. Need to get edge of stone wall cleared to plant 3 sugar maples at edge of Bromfield parking lot (2 small black locust invasive trees need to be cut down).
 - d. Need stakeholder review (will take time) prior to starting. Review list of stakeholders.
 - e. Grant accounting requirements?
 - f. Review multi-year maintenance requirements of trees to be planted.
3. Tom Garfield is good to go for tree watering this season—Bill will order more bags when grant planting date is determined. Discuss watering list for 2018.
4. Need to decide on location and cultivar of first grade tree planting for 2018. Bill has not yet ordered gift trees as a date has not yet been established.
5. Impact of HES school project for next few years (Tree Warden / Elm Com. review of existing tree protection / move plan and school budget for re-planting afterwards).
6. Newsletter for Harvard Tree Fund to be sent out by end of May.
7. Discuss funding needs vs budget increase for June 2018 –June 2019 from Forestry Budget (include priority Elm tree pruning, injections, lime, potentially above grant matching funds....)
8. Other items that attendees would like to discuss.