

## Nyack Tree Committee Meeting: September 9, 2019

Attended by Marcy Denker, Kathleen Johnson, Anna Bristow, Ed dePeter, Phil Berg, Steve Cea, Ric Plaisance

1. Fall Tree Planting
  - a. Tree Selection for 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. Maackia amurensis, Syringa r. Ivory Silk, Prunus
  - b. Other Locations: Mary O'D (nursery tree?) and Sickles location
  - c. --BOCES: Marcy will talk to Gloria Menoutis to determine who to speak with at the school
  - d. Machine digging: Jack Bozeat—Kathleen will check on how flexible his schedule is since we don't know our date yet and it's weather-dependent as well. Insured, \$110 per hour, can dig same day/during planting.
  - e. Notification: Kathleen will take care of these.
  - f. FAQs: We need to remember to get this done in time for fall planting. Anna will work on this to have on planting day, starting from existing materials (Marcy to send)
  - g. Tree Care one-pager: Kathleen will work on this, starting from existing materials (Marcy to send)
  - h. Approximate dates: TBD, dependent on Schictel's
2. Future Locations
  - a. Yaaskys/Rockland Gardens: Marcy talked with the Yaaskys and they would like larger trees that they are willing to help pay for—Spring
  - b. Hudson Street Location by Post Office: Steve will follow up on this
  - c. Other potential harder sites for future (we would like to add others to this list): Catherine Street parking lot, 5th avenue near 9W
3. Tree Maintenance Grant
  - Was signed March 2019, we have 2 years from that date
  - Dutchess County has an in-depth [Tree Stewardship Training program](#) we could use as a model. Steve, Ed and possibly Ric will attend this.
    - a. Proposals
    - b. Training
      - i. Dates: First two weeks of December look best for now: need to coordinate us, DPW, any interested community members.
      - ii. Outreach: needs to be planned.
      - iii. CCE
    - c. Inventory
4. Arbor Day Poster Contest: Steve is working on this. The theme is Trees Feed NY, Due Date December 20th. Steve will speak to the principal to gauge interest/availability for 5th grade involvement. Marcy will send him tree committee information to be able to give as background.
5. North Midland Tree and Sidewalk Damage: Tree on 6th avenue and Midland needs to be checked.
6. Pruning of trees by DPW: Marcy needs to have a discussion about this—will talk to Ann Marie
7. Nursery update: there are 5 amelanchiers and 3 Japanese tree lilacs. Wait until next year to plant unless we get BROW requests.
8. Mulching event? We want to have tree protectors in place first. Kathleen and others will organize.
9. Facebook and Instagram: Marcy will manage the FB account and Anna will copy adjust posts for Instagram.

### Miscellaneous:

- Kathleen will work on tree protectors: weed whackers have been damaging new trees.
- Marcy will set up a Google folder for all of our documents.
- Upper Nyack and South Nyack both plan to order trees this week from Schictel's for their new tree committees, and Marcy will be helping them out. The Tree Project is an important influence!
- The green committees from each of the three river Nyacks will have a booth together at the Great Nyack Get Together this Saturday