

Tree Committee Meeting Summary

07/07/22

Members Present: Lisa Fryer, Bette Woolsey, John Woolsey, Alma Homola

- The work on Clinton has been completed.
- The tree on Main Street and in Auditorium Park will be done in September.
- The trees from the grant all look healthy. Volunteers continue to water.
- The ornamental tree at the bottom of Ruggles (replacement tree on waterfront) looks to have had chemicals put on it. It does not look healthy and may not survive. It is self-pruning and we are watering.
- The Arborist will meet the Tree Warden in July to evaluate trees around Bayside and plan for next year's maintenance, etc.
- Lilac in Merrithew has been trimmed (not by Village) - top and sides.
- The Beechtree Disease is in Bayside. There are many village beech trees dying (i.e. Cradle Park). You can visibly see the black spots and thinning of the leaves around the village. These trees could be very costly to take down in the upcoming years. Information about Beech Tree Disease and the Ashborer has been posted on our website for the community.
- The Tree Committee proposes certain areas next year be sponsored by families for regular weeding upkeep (not pruning). Pruning would remain either the arborist or committee's responsibility. For instance, the "pump area" or flower beds in Merrithew could be sponsored and weeded during the seasonal months. This would help upkeep some of our park's flower and shrubbery beds.
- Willow tree at library fell onto road - the Town of Northport cleared up and will come back to take the rest of it down.
- The committee will tag new trees from grant and add to inventory
- The Tree Committee walked the village and determined possible clean up and pruning needs. The work could mostly be done by volunteers, although it may be a 2+ year "process."
 - Volunteer days (one this summer and one this fall) advertised across websites, to garner volunteers
 - Groups of people to work in select areas with one "tree committee person" present in each area to help