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Meeting Minutes ~ February 7, 2022

1. Meeting Called to Order 7:32 pm
2. Meeting Announcement: This meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, Duly Announced, submitted to the newspaper, and advertised more than 48 hours in advance of the meeting and notice posted in the Municipal Building and on the Borough Website.
3. Via Zoom attended by Peter Kikot, Ed Clark, Tony Smid and Nancy Krause. Ray Carroll, Alexandro Suriano, and Joe LaTerra were excused. Councilman Steven Saliani was in attendance. Forester Ronald Farr was in attendance.
4. Open to the Public: No public was present in the zoom waiting room.
5. Review of prior meeting minutes ~ Motion to approve January Minutes made by Mr. Clark and seconded by Mr. Smid. All in favor.
6. Ronald Farr Forestry Services introduction. Report before the meeting.
 - a. Mrs. Krause is sending Ronald Farr dates for meetings
 - b. The position is starting with 2 days per week/ 4 hours each on Tue and Thurs.
 - c. Mr. Farr will be meeting 2/8 with Mr. Clark and Mr. Kikot to discuss job specifics.
 - d. Mr. Farr currently resides in West Milford.
7. Ordinance. Councilman Saliani and Mr. Clark will be doing a read though next week with borough Administrator and Attorney to complete revisions.
8. Adopt-A-Tree Program ~ Program is on borough website and town sign. It was not in the February borough newsletter. About 18 people have signed up and Mr. Clark has visited 14 sites. Mr. Clark is taking photos and marking pavement with green dot.
9. Mr. Clark shared a spreadsheet of a master plan of street trees to create a cohesive plan. Hopes to have it finished by next month.
10. Mrs. Krause is working on the Accreditation report and Tree City report and will send for Mayor's signature on 2/9, reports due February 15.
11. Pruning and removal update: Mr. Clark will give Mr. Farr a list of take downs, pruning and grindings so he can verify the list.



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12. NJ Tree Recovery Campaign- Mr. Clark applied for this grant. Email confirmation has been received. Requested 450 saplings.
13. Arbor Day Event is being planned by Mrs. Krause for a SLF program at the senior center for April 28. Trees from the NJ recovery program can be given out at that program as well. Mr. Clark has 50 potted trees to give away. Saplings to give out for 300 plus
14. Downes Tree Service will plant 14 trees in the spring. Some will go to Adopt a Tree locations.
15. 72 Algonquin – Tree is not a borough tree.
16. New Business
 - a. Mr. Clark went to Board of Health and asked for them to give out tree removal permits with their permits for septic. They were agreeable. He will drop off tree permits for them to distribute.
 - b. We all agreed that placards in the window when tree removal has been approved and not linked to construction would be beneficial.
 - c. Mr. Clark has discussed with the DPW to use the side yard of the DPW as a nursery. They are open to the idea. Next step is get a water spigot on that side of the building and get soil for potting. It was suggested that we organize a community event to help with potting.
17. Meeting adjournment – 8:42pm