

Town of University Park  
Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment  
Minutes from the 12 October 2016 Meeting  
Town Hall, 6724 Baltimore Avenue

***Convened:*** 7:03 PM

***Attending:*** Chris Aubry (Chair), Beth Alvarez, Roy Alvarez (Council Liaison), Eric Erickson, Karen Sondak, Tiegh Thompson, Jo Williams, Tim Young.

***Regrets:*** Eddie Crocker, Alice Leaderman, Joanne Fletcher,

Committee discussed the following topics:

Meeting with DPW Director Beall, 9/27 – This was characterized as highly productive session, in which strategy for marking planting sites and logistics for the 10/29 planting were decided.

Ivy League, 10/8 - Four attendees (2 from committee) participated in this session. In addition to the removal of ivy, participants uncovered an extensive stand of native milkweed along the creek, west of Hopscotch Bridge, on southern bank, engulfed by porcelain berry. Liaison Alvarez oversaw the session as the Chair excused himself.

Natives in the Park: Leaf mulch has been delivered to asphalt “pad” at end of Wells Parkway; Mr. Thompson has begun mulching the beds established earlier this year. Mr. Thompson has repaired signage and borders for the natives.

Chair Aubry will prepare individualized notifications of tree selections for all Ward 4 recipients. These will be distributed on 10/20, while marking the planting sites.

Ms. Sondak announced her progress on Notable Tree facet, in which she has been working with Mr. Michael Ellis to confirm four (4) potential Prince George’s County Champion Trees within University Park. The four trees have been identified but will need to be measured, requiring permission from homeowners, as all are on private property.

***Adjourned:*** 7:52 PM