

**University Park, Maryland  
Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment  
Minutes, Wednesday, 9 March 2016  
Town Hall: 6724 Baltimore Ave.**

Convened: 7:05 PM

Members Present: Beth Alvarez, Chris Aubry (Chair), Eddie Crocker, Alice Leaderman, Karen Sondak, Tiegh Thompson, Jo Williams, Roy Alvarez (Liaison to Council).

Regrets: Joanne Fletcher

Guests: Eric Erikson, Tim Young

The following summarizes the topics discussed.

1. March street tree planting is scheduled for 3/26/16, 9AM-12PM. Ten trees will be planted along east side of Adelphi road, south from Wells to Calverton. Chris Aubry will advertise for volunteers and coordinate logistics with Mickey Beall, DPW. Chris and Alice Leaderman will mark tree locations prior to the event.
2. Natives pilot plots in Town Park:
  - a. Committee members Alice Leaderman and Tiegh Thompson, together with DPW Director Mickey Beall and representatives from Anacostia Watershed Society (AWS) surveyed the town park north of the soccer field on Thursday, 18 February to determine potential sites for native plantings.
  - b. The survey resulted in Alice and Tiegh developing plans for each potential site with a two-year budget for implementation.
  - c. These plans, including site details, were presented to the committee by Alice and Tiegh.
    - i. The sites are along Wells Creek, main and north branches. Total costs for initial planting, FY 16 are \$413. For follow up planting in FY17, costs are estimated at \$1,512. Inclusion of evergreens suggested. Rob Floyd will donate one flat of milkweed. AWS to donate some sheeting.
    - ii. Concerns were discussed and resolved, except for watering logistics.
    - iii. Committee unanimously approved budget and ruled to formally present plans and request funding from Town Council, 3/21, Alice and Tiegh.
3. Ivy League for March is finalized for 3/12/16 - meeting at 9-11 Memorial, 9AM.
4. Old business: Liaison Roy Alvarez reported Veteran's Memorial is proceeding this spring, with landscape contractor scheduled to continue planting. No old business.
5. New business: Committee resolved to ask Mickey Beall about PEPCO's recent removal of a tree on Woodberry Street, and further resolved to request inclusion in decision-making process for replacement trees on small, individual scale.

Adjourned 8:10