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Tree Hearing Minutes
August 6, 2021
John Zon Community Center

Meeting begin at 4:34 p.m.

Attendance: Sign in sheet attached

Isaac Mass presented a power point presentation on the five trees that are in front of the Cinema located on Main Street. He spoke at length on his future plans for the property and in particular the marquee. He did state he would replace the trees with some sort of greenery and would cover the costs to move the trees to another location. Isaac is not against trees just not blocking his property.

He reiterated that he would not be able to invest the \$82,000 for the digital marquee if you can't see the marquee due to the trees.

The Tree Warden, Paul Newell received 86 objections to these five trees at the time of the meeting.

Many people spoke on not needing to remove the trees, perhaps trimming the trees would help.

Glen Ayers asked how old the trees were and how fast are they growing.

John Ward, Greenfield Solar Store asked if there are trees planned for Fiske Avenue and he hopes our goal is to keep mature trees and he does not care if the trees block his sign.

Mary Chicoine thinks this would set a terrible precedent and her committee offers free pruning.

David Singer asked if the trees could be pruned up and he was told yes.

Margo Jones spoke on the inventory study and they were proud of the quantity of trees in the Main Street area. Economic development is

related to tree canopies. She has seven healthy trees in front of her business and is very happy with them.

Audrey Farmham stated she lives at the High Rise and she loves the shade from the trees especially when she is walking.

Carol Letson supports preservation of all trees.

Deb Klein stated that the trees will grow up and not block the marquee.
Total of 120 Objections

120 Davis Street – Norway Maple and it had a branch that fell and struck a vehicle. Tree Warden requests removal – 1 objection

38 Shattuck Street – Red Maple – Root rot and sparse canopy – Tree Warden requests removal – no objections

28 Shattuck Street – Red Maple - Rotted, ants, and no canopy - Tree Warden requests removal – no objections

45 Shattuck Street – Ash tree – Trunk decay, loaded with carpenter ants - Tree Warden requests removal – no objections

46 Cypress Street – Trunk decay, root decay, carpenter ants, and large crack in the trunk - Tree Warden requests removal – no objections

5-7 Cypress Street – Norway Maple – Trunk decay and pests - Tree Warden requests removal – 1 objection

32 Vernon Street – Norway Maple – Trunk decay - Tree Warden requests removal – no objections

53 Haywood Street – Trunk decay - Tree Warden requests removal – 1 objection

Federal @ Church Street – Crown Decay - Tree Warden requests removal – no objections

15 Congress Street – Silver Maple – Tree Warden requests removal – 1 objection

Meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Lynn Waldron
Audrey Farnum
Helaina Balcantoff
Aiki Fornier

Deb Klein
David Singh
Lina Russell
Coral Letson

Chris Larabee
Lia Appel
Wisty (Dionna) Karabach
Jasper Lapinski

Glen Ayers

MARY CHICOINE

Ben Walker

GRETCHEN GREEN

Joseph DiMarino

Margo Jones

Tom Sullivan

Jorainia Grigoriadis Gordon

Edie Heinemann

Kurt Schellberg

Bekha Quinn

David E. Lewis

Debra Campbell

Steven Campbell

Candace Cleiman

Sean W Thomas

Lise Sheehan

Amie Hyson

Melody Tilton

~~Rachel~~ W Lindsay.

LORRAINE PEARSON

George Toulounetzir

Otis Wheeler

Sheila Moschen

Mary Clare Powell

Richard Brown

Phil Elmer

ISAAC MASS

John Ward

Claire Chang

Greg Thole

KARL MEYER

Nina Gross

Katherine Williams