

# Minutes of the Woodstock Tree Committee Meeting March 10, 2025

Present: Michael, Gay, Achva, Ed, Linda, Carol

## Agenda

Proposed TC rule changes

Election of officers

DOT update

Spring planting

## Rule changes

Michael found out that we can create our own rules. The only thing the Town Board requires is that we have at least five members; but we can add as many volunteers as we wish.

Gay suggested that we add “at the convenience of the members” to the dates, times, etc. of meetings. Discussion followed on time of meeting. 5:30 was proposed and rejected. What happened to 7:00 PM?

Linda—Meetings should be posted online and we should make our FaceBook page more active.

Michael—We could meet on Saturday... Issue tabled until next meeting.

We voted unanimously yes on Ed and Gay’s proposed rule changes.

## Election of officers

Both Gay and Michael want to be Chairperson of the Tree Committee. Michael wants to stay on until the completion of the DOT project, since he has been heavily involved in it up til now.

Ed pointed out that there is a group within this committee that wants

a new Chair.

We discussed it and voted that Michael would remain as Chairperson for a year. During this time he will work mainly on the DOT project while transitioning other responsibilities to Gay. After a year, Gay would become Chairperson.

Carol volunteered to be the Secretary/Treasurer. Each meeting's minutes must be submitted to the Town office.

#### DOT update

Michael has been in contact with Mark Kruk, the head of the DOT program. We had requested forty tree pits to help make up for the large trees the town will lose when the new sidewalks are put in. Apparently Complete Streets had submitted their own plan in which we would lose half that number of tree pits. The DOT

wants one plan, so Michael went to a CS meeting and worked it out so no trees are eliminated and we submit one plan to the DOT. There will probably be some metal art on the new bridge by a local artist.

#### Spring planting

Gay is in contact with the playhouse to see if we can plant a tree there for Arbor Day. We need to speak to Cindy about this.

Tree City Conference is 3/26. Michael and Achva will attend.

We voted to make Achva a full member of the Tree Committee.

Adjourned.