

**Agenda & Minutes**  
Tree Advisory Committee

**Mission Statement:** The Brattleboro Tree Advisory Board shall be an advisory organization that works with the Tree Warden to promote the improvement and preservation of a healthy environment of the town as it relates to Public Trees. The Board is subject to the Vermont Open Meetings Law (1 VSA Sec. 310-314).

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, April 14, 2015

Date of Warning: Tuesday, April 7, 2014

Time and Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Hannah Cosman room, Municipal building, Brattleboro Vermont. 7:00 P.M.\_

Members:         Robert Clements,        \_\_\_\_\_ Mike Hutcheson         Roz Blake  
(indicate who     Bob Everingham         Anne Wright-Parsons     Helene Henry, chair  
were present)

Staff Present:     Hannah O'Connell        \_\_\_\_\_

Other Attendees:  Dan Adams, Tree Warden  
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Chair/Facilitator:  Helene Henry \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk/Scribe: Bob Everingham

Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion/Action	Motions, Proposals Resolutions	Vote
Public Participation			
Approve Minutes of March , 2015		approved	
Vermont Urban and Community Forestry grant was discussed	Hannah spoke about the timing of this past year's grant and why it couldn't happen, and the steps that are in place to pursue the grant next year. Other grant pathways were also discussed		
Dan Adams gave his tree report	attached		
Hannah discussed moving the Emerald Ash Borer plan forward	Hannah was seeking support for an outline of a plan to be presented to the selectboard, developed, and implemented. It will involve public outreach, and an outline for dealing with ash trees in the 4 different zones of town, urban, residential, rural, and watershed.	The board voice their provisional support.	
Roz spoke about a USDA grant available for surveys and maintenance plans.	Elise Schadler will be in town on the 11 <sup>th</sup> of May to explain the funding opportunity. She told Roz about a site with other towns' inventories at: <a href="http://www.vtcommunityforestry.org/resources/inventory-assessment/vt-tree-inventory">http://www.vtcommunityforestry.org/resources/inventory-assessment/vt-tree-inventory</a>		
Starting a facebook page was discussed			
The downtown sidewalk project that is set to commence this summer was discussed			

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Robert showed a mock-up for a Lorax award that the Tree Board would present to tree champions in town.			
Anne discussed her outreach efforts to the garden club.			
Spring clean-up			
Other Business Adjournment Next Meeting	Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m. Next meeting is May 12, 7:00 pm in the Hannah Cosman room		

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