

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
East Providence Tree Commission
Regular Meeting
April 20, 2022
East Providence City Hall @ 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order: Carol Auer called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM
2. Roll Call: Present – Joe Gibson, Claire Tierney, Carol Auer. Johanna Walczak (Planning Department). Absent with notice-Jenn Tierney, Anna Sousa. Absent without notice - Ron Nawacki (Tree Warden).
3. Approval of Minutes: Joe Gibson moved to approve the March 30, 2022 minutes. Claire Tierney seconded. Approved unanimously.
4. Public Comments: No members of the public were in attendance.
5. Old Business:
 - a. Tree planting project 2022 - Orlo Avenue Elementary School. A preliminary landscape design was reviewed based on the site visit. Based on discussion, C. Auer will draft a letter with the design to the Mayor with copies to Tony Vieira (Parks) and school department staff. The letter will ask for the use of the \$25,000 capital improvement budget for the Orlo School project. The project will also be discussed with the Parks Department.
 - b. Policy discussion: Promoting native plants on city properties. C. Auer prepared a draft ordinance and it was reviewed. Joe Gibson made a motion to present the native plants ordinance to the city legal council for review. Claire Tierney seconded. Unanimously approved.
6. New Business: None in agenda.
7. Liaison Report: Johanna Walczak provided an update on the trees to be installed on Bullocks Point Avenue.
8. Adjournment: Next meeting date TBA. Claire Tierney made a motion to adjourn at 8:10 PM. Joe Gibson seconded. Unanimously approved.

Draft minutes prepared by C. Tierney, Committee Secretary, May 23, 2022