

Williamsburg Planning Board

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Minutes for meeting (virtual, via teleconference) on April 20, 2020

Member	Present	Not Present	Member	Present	Not Present
Amy Bisbee	х		Eric Schmitt	х	
Chris Flory	х		Steve Smith	х	
Holly Hendricks	х		Steve Snow	х	
Jean O'Neil	х				

Others present: Tom Por (tree warden), Nick Dines (9 North Street), Heidi Johnson (35 Village Hill Road), Les (resident of 33 Village Hill Road)

At approximately 7:03pm, Chair Bisbee called the meeting to order.

1. First tree hearing, regarding 9 North Street. Tom Por, tree warden, spoke on behalf of Nick Dines. Nick would like to remove an aging tree and replace it with a native tree for overstory; Nick Dines notes that branches that are falling and creating hazard; and that National Grid has limbed it up over the year (this tree is on the line side of street). Nick proposes to add two smaller trees which should not exceed 20-25'. Nick has talked to Dan Dostal, who has come to see it, and will contract to remove it.

Motion	Made by	Seconded by	Outcome
Concur with Tree Warden recommendation in favort of tree work at 9 North Main Street	O'Neil	Snow	Carries unanimously, 7-0

2. Second tree hearing, regarding 35 Village Hill Road and 33 Village Hill Road. Tom Por, tree warden, spoke on behalf of Heidi Johnson (35 Village Hill). Johnson has an application to do some trenching along roadway to connect to town sewer on Village Hill Road. If test bores establish sufficient depth, Johnson would employ Donnie Lawton and Cliff Clark to trench with

care. The work mostly concerns sapling pruning and limited small plant/seedling removal, for excavator clearance.

Motion	Made by	Seconded by	Outcome
Concur with Tree Warden recommendation in favor of tree work at 35 and 33 Village Hill Road	O'Neil	Snow	Carries unanimously, 7-0

3. Chair Bisbee noted that the planning board has received a request to reduce its annual budget. Discussion to be continued at next meeting.

At 7:35 pm the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Eric Schmitt