

**Minutes
Hampden Tree Board
Subcommittee of the Hampden Town Council Community Services Committee
June 12, 2008 @ 6:00pm**

The meeting of the Hampden Tree Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday June 12, 2008, at the Hampden Municipal Building by Jim Feverston.

Bob Osborne, Town Planner
Gretchen Heldmann, GIS/IT Specialist
Jim Feverston
Lance Case
Chris Packard
Phil Stack

1. Introductions of new people.

Everyone present introduced themselves.

2. Business

A. Minutes Acceptance

No minutes available to be accepted (first meeting ever).

B. Brainstorming of Ideas and Future Business Items

The board reviewed the Tree Ordinance and discussed how they would go about creating the plans called for in the ordinance. They decided that at the next meeting they would delve into creating the plans. This year's activities should focus on 7.1, 7.2, and 7.3 of the tree ordinance.

Suggestions of roles of the board:

- Review residential and commercial development plans for landscaping plans
- Review harvest notifications for adherence to law when they include Shoreland zone
- Plant trees and shrubs in "scorched earth" areas first- may include container plantings
- Education- educate people about a variety of topics, from wise forest management to the concept of rural character

How to get message out to community: newsletter, lessons in classroom

Create an online forum or other mechanism for residents to submit questions and concerns relating to trees and shrubs in public places and along streets.

Each person will bring to the next meeting some researched materials to help draft the plans.

Lance- Orono & Bangor plans, will highlight key parts

Chris- will bring other plans, will highlight key parts

Phil- Bath plan and will bring other materials

Jim- will bring Arbor Day materials

Gretchen- has a bookshelf full of urban forestry materials to bring

For the next meeting, Gretchen will:

Try to find a list of local licensed arborists from online

Email out a map of the proposed town forest area

Email out a map of all public land

Email Chip to try to find right-of-way information, start a database

The next meeting is **July 02nd** at 6:30pm.

4. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned around 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Heldmann

GIS/IT Specialist