

## **Tree Board Meeting Minutes** (approved as amended)

November 15, 2011  
Seymour Library, 161 East Ave., Brockport, NY

**Attendance:** Ian Blount, Margay Blackman, Kathy Goetz, Jackie Morris, Todd Longstreth

**Hand-out:** ArtPlace Grant, Letter of Inquiry 11/14/11

**Minutes:** Oct. 18, 2011 minutes were read and on a motion by J. Morris and a second by T. Longstreth were approved

**Status of Village Code change** - Tree Board Membership - the issue is still with the Village attorney and the Village Board is awaiting his approval.

**Tree Board Account-** Mike Giordino, the Village Manager, met with Board members and said a tree fund that would roll over annually was not a problem. Margay suggested that the funds stay where they are for the time being ( GBDC -\$1208 )

**Village Trees** - Todd asked, for Linda ( DPW), if the State has a list of trees which have been removed. Margay will send the list to Linda. There was a discussion of pruning and the possibility of the Board applying for that in the grant process.

Todd said that wrought iron fences would be protective for the trees which often get nicked by snow removal efforts. The fences would have to be dismantled for snow removal. 26 trees on Main St. will be lit for Christmas.

**Report by Village Trustee** Margay Blackman - The next round of DEC grant requests will be in March and she feels that we should again apply. This is the year for updating the tree inventory. 17 trees will be planted on Arbor Day. ArtPlace Grant - we are seeking a grant because we have a strong arts presence and an active historic preservation program throughout the Village. We propose building upon these strengths to establish stronger partnerships with the college and with the merchants to create more murals, to protect Main St. trees with Victorian fence surrounds and to create a better website on which these assets can be marketed. The Brd discussed the possibility of developing apps for the tree walk and a walking tour as part of the grant process. Kathy will ask Buck Noble about the possibility of his students doing this.

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**Re-leaf Meeting** Nov. 09

**Save an Ash Tree Project:** Discussed going to the seminars re: this issue but said that we need to observe, learn and decide ,if indeed,it is a problem in Brockport.

**Meeting Adjourned** : 8:40

**Next meeting: Tues. Jan 17 at Seymour Library in the Story Room**