

Meeting Minutes Waterbury Tree Board

Friday, April 17, 2026 Community Garden and Waterbury village

10:30 am to noon

Attendees: Marge Gulyas, Nita Hultstrom, Barb Blauvelt, Mike Lo Schiavo and Jane Brown

Public comments : No public attended

- 1. Community garden:** We looked at the row of ten fruit trees planted in 2023 with grant funds. The group approved planting two apple trees to add to the line closer to the garden entrance. These could go in front of the path down to the Dac Rowe fields to be planted about 25' apart. Barb will check on available trees.
- 2. Street Tree Inventory** The group reviewed locations on:
 - Winooski Street (which was not included in the 2016 street tree.) Trees at the entrance to Dac Rowe field and the side of the Hope Cemetery should be included too.
 - South and North Main Street was not included in 2016 due to the upcoming reconstruction of S. and N. Main St.
 - DeMeritt Place at new Steele Rescue Building - Add this street in 2026
 - Add the new, young shade tree to street tree inventory
 - Add vacant tree location near the street
 - Rusty Parker Park - Update the inventory from the 2016 inventory
 - Railroad Street - There are many new trees to add to the inventory
 - Brookside School and High St.- Update from 2016 - lots of trees
 - We noted weed whacker damage to young trees at the corner of High St behind the school and the need for removing grass and adding new mulch to protect the tree trunks. This may be done in May 2026 during Ben & Jerry's volunteer garden clear up day.
 - Stowe St., Union St. and Butler St and the trees around the roundabout- We quickly toured these streets to be included in 2026.
 - Town Swimming Pool - We noted that planting a few evergreens by the fence next to the post office parking lot would add shade and some visual screening from the parking lot. Evergreen to avoid leaf clean up.
 - Add vacant or potential tree planting locations to the 2026 inventory
 - Check right of way width on inventoried streets. Note trees outside right of way if they are close to the limit. All trees contribute to the overall canopy of the village and its environmental benefits.

Next meeting 10:30 am Friday, May 8, 2026 - Waterbury Public library