

## Memorandum

To: Middletown Sustainability Committee

From: Cindy Unangst, Staff Planner

Date: February 7, 2022

RE: February Green Team meeting agenda for Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> via Zoom

**Topic: February Sustainability Committee meeting**  
**Time: Feb 15, 2022 05:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87416826218?pwd=VEhseHAzZ3ErSnZQOFNtSHgyYVILZz09>

**Meeting ID: 874 1682 6218**

**Passcode: 289560**

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**+13017158592,,87416826218#,,,,\*289560# US (Washington DC)**

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**+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)**

**Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdhJWYEWHW>**

### Meeting discussion items:

1. January meeting minutes approval
2. Goals for 2022 and updated Annual Report – A Look at Where we Are
3. Outreach sub-committee report
4. Envision Frederick Green Teams webinar – February 10<sup>th</sup> – follow-up
5. BASECAMP projects:
  - Pollinator demonstration gardens – edging for Memorial Park; Village of Foxfield eyebrow and circle planting; meadow planting at Remsberg Park; pollinator garden care schedule; Cone Branch Pocket Park pollinator garden suggestion by Burgess Miller.
  - Bee City USA – renewal application due end of February
  - Compost project – bin site in Memorial Park; signage arrived.
  - Lunch Out Of Landfills – should be starting soon for students at MMS!; NexTrex program at MES
  - Website updates, ideas ('green homes,' climate change)
6. Tree plantings – Potomac Edison program this spring; tree planting maintenance schedule (see below); Keep Maryland Beautiful grant application for EarthPlanter trees (grant announcements made in March)
7. Mosquito control in town stormwater management facilities (Ann P./Karen W.)
8. Tree City USA – application was approved!; should receive materials by Arbor Day

9. Green Expo – started reaching out to organizations/vendors/etc.; musician; good response so far.
10. Gift Tree Program – flyer boxes were installed at Wiles Branch Park, Memorial Park and on Cone Branch Trail – please monitor as you frequent those areas
11. March meeting date – third Tuesday – March 15<sup>th</sup> ; discuss whether we want to meet in person again next month

#### GOALS FOR 2022:

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EDUCATION ON STORMWATER PERMIT PROGRAMS

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## DRAFT Middletown Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Time: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 from 5:00- 6:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

On Zoom: Cindy Unangst, Edamarie Mattei/Backyard Bounty, Bill Spare, Erin Carney, Kevin Stottlemeyer, Gene Fleeman, Pam McDonald, Mark Carney, Ann Payne, Kristin King, Adam Stanzione, Andrew Landsman, Abby LaPadula, Quinn Carney, Cari Wolf, Jamie, Sean O'Keefe, Joe Richardson (guest).

Meeting Agenda items discussed:

1. December meeting minutes approved.
2. Lunch Out of Landfills: (Joe Richardson). Joe reported about the Maryland senate and house bill (HB 150) that could fund (\$500,000 in funding) the LOLF projects in Frederick County. He reported that the students are creating postcards that we can fill out and mail to the Maryland Legislature. The team agreed to help send in the postcards when they are created. Joe also discussed the NexTrex Challenge that collects any plastic wrap, bubble wrap, plastic bags. These plastics can be processed by TREX for their products. Joe would like Middletown to have a central drop off point for plastics. These are plastics that cannot be recycled in our current County recycling stream. Mark and Kevin shared that the town recently had to stop our town recycling drop off because of abuses by people dumping trash at the site. They did not think the town would be ready for another drop off site. Bill Spare noted that there are plastic bag and film drop off sites for Trex at local grocery stores: Safeway, Food Lion, Giant Eagle, Wegmans, Weis, Martins, Kohls. See this link: [https://recycle.trex.com/?utm\\_source=Release&utm\\_medium=PR&utm\\_campaign=Schools](https://recycle.trex.com/?utm_source=Release&utm_medium=PR&utm_campaign=Schools)
3. Erin needs help with food recovery from elementary school to food bank. She is willing to do it once a week and is flexible. Need a volunteer to help move heavy coolers from the school to the food bank on Tuesday or Friday at 12:30-12:45 pm. Need to coordinate with food bank and help them unload food items into their refrigeration.
4. Lunch out of Landfills report from Cari: Abby LaPadula has been the lead at the Elementary school. Since the inception of the program, recycling has picked up again at the school. 80% reduction in waste since the program started in December. Data collection to date: 40-50% of what is collected is compostable. Two weeks ago, Erin began transporting unopened food to Middletown food bank. They are tracking what they are donating. Also reported that the Middle school was also interested in the program starting with the sixth graders. Abby also hoping to get it up and running at the high school by next year. Green Expo idea: Booth opportunity for students to present about LOLF.
5. New member introduction: Andrew Landsman—Lives in Foxfield neighborhood; has a background in invertebrates (bees in particular); works with national park service. Welcome Andrew!
6. Goals for 2022 and updated Annual Report: A Look at Where We Are—we will focus on this in the February meeting. Cindy plans to use the Sustainable Maryland report to help guide our goals for this year.
7. Outreach and Communications sub-Committee report to team: Pam presented draft Outreach communications plan to team (See attached document). The subcommittee committed to meeting weekly to ramp up operations. Robin M will do article on composting project in the February issue of Middletown Magazine and a Green Expo/tree article in April.

8. Envision Frederick Green Teams Webinar: Thursday, February 10 at 7 p.m. Envision is sponsoring a Zoom meeting with Frederick County Green Teams. Cindy will present and can have a powerpoint, if desired. Cindy will share Zoom invitation to Green Team members. Green Teams participating include Middletown, Frederick, Urbana, Thurmont,
9. BASECAMP projects:
  - Pollinator demonstration gardens – Edamarie asked for more information about plating the Eyebrow at Foxfield. She would like to plant native trees in this area. She suggested native Oak trees that have been altered for size. The original intent was for the team to plant to fill in gaps. Future may mean we can do more extensive native planting.
  - Memorial Garden—Edamarie is looking at sturdy plants, long blooming, long-living, blooms from Feb-Nov. Backyard Bounty will provide (donate) plants for Memorial garden. She will email her plant suggestions to the team.
  - Memorial pollinator garden care schedule—Pam has drafted this and is finalizing with Ann.
  - Bee City USA—renewal application due by end of Feb. Cindy will begin working on this app this week.
  - Compost project—Cindy presented Janet Fox’s designs that are customized for the Middletown Compost project and the team discussed starting the 90 day pilot program in early March. Cindy will be sure that a flyer is included in the April town newsletter. The composting info will be in the Middletown Magazine in February. Erin reported that the final design for the compost station is still being discussed.
6. Tree plantings – Potomac Edison program. Gene has created a page for the Potomac Edison Tree program. He reported that 15 people want to volunteer with tree planting; 8 people want help with picking out/planting trees. Loraxers will meet next week to help decide variety of native trees to be offered and where to plant the town trees. Kevin said town will probably be willing to fund for more trees (Potomac Edison can supply up to 200 trees). Earth day and Arbor Day are two consecutive weekends to distribute trees to residents and plant town trees on Arbor Day.
7. Mosquito control in Town stormwater management facilities. Cindy shared town maps that show stormwater basins that often contain still water (about half contain still water). Kevin said this could be an opportunity for educating residents about sustainable methods. The team discussed variables such as type of mosquito and habitat will inform the best mitigation strategy. Ann reported that she believes that the State would be helpful to address this issue. Budget and town staff resources should be minimal.
8. Green Expo 2022 – Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> (Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> is Earth Day). To be held at Memorial park again. We will showcase Pollinator Garden and Compost drop off site. Will be doing a lot of publicity for this: in Middletown Neighbors magazine; Town water bill mailing, Facebook/Instagram postings. Live music needs to be decided (Cindy presented info about Craig Rosendale musician and his fee of \$175/hour), Monarch Pledge declaration, Girl Scout Gold award table on Monarchs, plant a tree/Earth Day, free tree distribution.
9. Next Tree Maintenance at Wile Branch Park will be Tuesday, January at 2 p.m. Cindy is looking for volunteers to help her care for the saplings.
10. Next meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday: February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 5:00-6:30 p.m.

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## February 2022 ANNUAL REPORT- A Look at Where we Are:

### MIDDLETOWN GREEN TEAM ACTION PLAN

#### MISSION:

Middletown's Green Team's mission is to: conserve Middletown's shared natural resources, including land, air, water, open spaces, and viewsheds. By working in partnership with our schools, nonprofits, faith-based organizations, businesses, and residents, we can sustain natural resources and promote healthy living for generations to come. We will accomplish our goals by creating understanding in the community, promoting involvement by way of education, and addressing environmental challenges and opportunities by focusing on economic, environmental, and social sustainability.

#### SMC RE-CERTIFICATION WAS ACHIEVED ON OCTOBER 16, 2019 THROUGH THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- Complete and document our Green Team Action Plan (Community Action) ✓
- Hold annual Green Expo (Community Action) ✓
- Participate in a SMC Green Team Training (Community Action) ✓
- Continue to build a SM Resource Center in Town Hall and on-line (Community Action) ✓
- Continue to support our Local Farmer's Market (Community Based Food System) ✓
- Continue to support the Local Food Bank (Community Based Food System) ✓
- Document Wastewater Treatment Plant Solar Energy Project (Energy) ✓
- Document replacement of Town Hall lights to LED's (Energy) ✓
- Continue to update Local Business Directory (Local Economies) ✓
- Document Recycle Drop-off Location (Natural Resources) ✓
- Document Water Conservation Alert System (Natural Resources) ✓
- Document Participation in DHCD Sustainable Communities (Planning & Land Use) ✓
- Document Dog Park and Bag Stations (Natural Resources) ✓
- Document Rain Barrel Program (Natural Resources) ✓
- Document Yard Waste Bag program ✓
- Document Town Hall as a Collection Site/Center for Unused Meds (Natural Resources & Health and Wellness) ✓
- Continue to support the local community gardens (Community Based Food System) ✓
- Document Main Street Program (Local Economies) ✓
- Improvements to West Green Street (Natural Resources) ✓
- Construct rest of walking trail from Linden to East Main Street and Remsberg Park (Health & Wellness) ✓
- Pollinator resolution passage (Natural Resources) ✓
- Municipal Carbon Footprint (Greenhouse Gas) ✓
- Document Scout Project painting Curb and Gutters to be Bay Wise (Natural Resources) ✓

## 2020 - 2021: ITEMS COMPLETED TO CONTINUE ON OUR PATH TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN A MORE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY:

- Tree City USA designation (Natural Resources) ✓
- Bee City USA designation (Natural Resources) ✓
- Establish Local Historic Property Tax Incentives (Local Economies) ✓

## 2022 – 2023: ITEMS TO WORK ON MOVING FORWARD

- Join the Maryland Green Registry Program (Local Economies)
- MEA grant funding for energy efficient streetscape lighting (Energy)
- Conversion of streetlights to LED's (Energy)
- Buy Local Campaign (Local Economies)
- Main Street Maryland (Local Economies)
- Organic Waste Composting (Local Economies)
- Implement Waste Reduction Program (Local Economies)
- Community-Based Public Art (Community Action)
- Participation in MD Green Schools (Community Action)
- Spring or Fall Transplant Sale (Community Based Food System)
- NWF Community Wildlife Habitat (Natural Resources)

## FUTURE WORK TO CONSIDER – 2024 AND BEYOND:

- Climate Action Plan (Greenhouse Gas)
- Community Carbon Footprint (Greenhouse Gas)
- Evaluate and Determine the Feasibility of Constructing a 1-Mega Watt Solar Farm (Energy)
- Safe Routes to School Program



# Artwork Approval

105 Competitive Goals Dr. Eldersburg, MD 21784

1-800-368-2295

Customer Name

Middletown

File

Compost.FS

Date

2/2/2022

Customer Approval

X

Approval Date







# NEW PROGRAM

MES is working hard to reduce, reuse, and recycle with the Lunches out of Landfills program. We are excited to now participate in the NexTrex® challenge (our school competes to collect non-recyclable plastic and could receive a bench made of our collected items).



Beginning Monday, February 7, you can drop your plastic bags and films (things you might not have even realized weren't recyclable) in the white bin located in the lobby.

See back for more details and some examples of allowed items. If your item is not on the list, check out the NexTrex® website:

**[trex.com/recycling](http://trex.com/recycling)** or complete this quick checklist:

**Yes:** Item will stretch when you pull it.

**No:** Item is shiny or makes a crinkly/crunchy sound in your hand.



# RECYCLE BEYOND THE BAG

Recycle your household bags & wrap into Trex's Earth-friendly composite decking and railing!



## FROM THE STORE



✓ Produce bags

✓ Store bags

✓ Ice bags



## FROM YOUR PANTRY



✓ Ziploc® & other reclosable bags

✓ Cereal box liners

✓ Case overwrap

✓ Bread bags



## FROM YOUR FRONT DOOR



✓ Newspaper sleeves

✓ Dry cleaning bags

✓ Bubble wrap

✓ Plastic e-commerce mailers

Plastics must be clean, dry and free of food and organic residue



**NexTrex**

[trex.com/recycling](http://trex.com/recycling) 1-800-Buy-Trex

## Free Tree Options

### American Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*):

Flowering dogwood is a popular landscaping tree due to its attractive foliage and flowers. It is a small tree, only growing to 15-30 feet. The flowers can be white, pink, or almost red and are not fragrant. Dogwoods also have relatively shallow root systems, making them better-suited to sites that have underground utilities near- by. It is important to ensure that this tree gets plenty of water, especially during the first year after planting.

Flowering dogwoods prefer acidic soil and will do well with azaleas, rhododendrons, mountain laurel, and evergreens.



### Eastern Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*):

Eastern redbud is arguably the most popular small landscaping tree in this region. Its popularity can be attributed to its attractive vase shape, heart-shaped leaves, and its pink flowers. This species can grow in full or partial sun but requires moist soils. Redbud is also one of the first trees to bloom in spring.



## **Serviceberry (*Amelanchier* spp.):**

Serviceberry is small, fruit-producing tree that can be either multi-stemmed or single-stemmed. This species is one of the first to show in spring with small, white flowers. The berries ripen in June and are a great food source for birds, small mammals, and humans alike. The purple fruit can be eaten raw or can be made into jams and jellies. This tree usually grows in bottomlands and can thrive in either full or partial sun.



## **Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*):**

Red maple is quite hardy and can withstand a variety of growing conditions, including compacted soils and harsh winds. It can survive in nearly any soil and moisture conditions. This, along with its bright fall color, makes it a popular landscaping tree. While it may survive nearly anywhere, it is one of the least valuable trees for attracting wildlife.



## **Willow Oak (*Quercus phellos*):**

Willow oak can grow to a height of 65 feet has the most unique leaves of all the oaks. It has smaller spear-shaped leaves compared to the large, lobed leaves of other oaks. Other notable characteristics include fast growth, lollipop shape and long lifespan. Willow oak is often planted as a street tree and the acorns it produces are an important food source for urban wildlife. This tree requires soils with high moisture and is not drought tolerant, so it is important to make sure this tree has access to plenty of water.



## **Scarlet Oak (*Quercus coccinea*):**

Scarlet oak is one of the common oaks found in Maryland. It can reach a height of 70 feet and has a dense canopy reaching about 50 feet. These trees can fare droughts much better than other trees. This tree, besides being a wonderful home and food source for countless forms of wildlife, and an excellent provider of shade, is defined by the amazing color display it puts on every year.



# **Middletown Green Expo 2022**

**April 23rd, 2022 – 10am-2pm**

**Memorial Park - 310 South Church Street, Middletown, MD 21769**

The purpose of the Green Expo is to educate people of the importance of living a healthier, green lifestyle while reducing their environmental footprint.

The Green Expo seeks vendors/exhibitors who offer more sustainable choices or information about reducing the environmental footprint in the following areas:

- Yard and Garden - Chesapeake Bay Watershed friendly practices
- Energy, Conservation and Recycling
- Food & Agriculture - Local foods, Community supported agriculture
- Land Conservation
- Transportation
- Green Lifestyles and Recreation
- Education and Advocacy
- Sustainable Business Practices in the above areas
- Household Products and Practices





## Middletown Green Expo Exhibitor Registration Form

**Company/Organization Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Web Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person, phone and email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Contact on site at event if different from above, including cell phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Please tell us about your display:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Vendors may start to set up at 9:00am. A vendor may set up earlier than 9am with prior approval from the Middletown Green Team. Vehicles will need to be out of the parking lot by 9:45am. The Expo is open to public from 10pm till 2pm, **rain or shine.**

Provide the following if applicable:

**License type:** \_\_\_\_\_ **License #:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Middletown Green Expo Rules and Regulations

- **ALL** spaces will be assigned on a first come first serve basis.
- Exhibits are to be manned at all times.
- We reserve the right not to accept any exhibit including to avoid duplications to ensure variety and vendor success.
- You must provide us with a copy of your license to do business in Maryland if you plan on having items available for purchase by attendees.
  - Exhibitors must setup within their allotted space, and must provide their own tents, tables and chairs. Tents are recommended due to event being held rain or shine and must be weighted properly.
  - Display must be complete by 9:40am and remain intact until 2:00pm.
  - We do not allow generators and electricity will not be provided.

I \_\_\_\_\_, the Participant, acknowledge that the Town of Middletown is sponsoring an event known as Middletown Green Expo to be held on the following date: April 23, 2022, and that my participation in that event is wholly voluntary on my part and solely with the permission of the Town of Middletown. In consideration of the permission granted to me by the Town of Middletown authorizing my participation in this event, I hereby agree as follows:

I hereby agree that my participation in any and/or all Green Expo activities is undertaken by me at my sole risk. I agree that the Town of Middletown and its committees, officials, servants, agents, officers, employees, and volunteers shall not be liable to me, or to any one claiming through me, for any claims, demands, actions, or causes of action for any personal injury, death or property damage to me or my property which arises out of, is related to or is in any way connected with my participation in, attendance or presence at any of the Green Expo activities regardless of the nature of the activity. In connection therewith, I do further expressly and forever release and discharge The Town of Middletown, its committees, officials, servants, agents, officers, employees, and volunteers from any and all such claims, demands, actions, or causes of action for personal injury, death or property damage caused by, arising from or in any way related to, in whole or in part, acts of active or passive negligence on the part of the Town of Middletown, its committees, officials, servants, agents, officers, employees, and/or volunteers.

I do further agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Town of Middletown and its committees, officials, servants, agents, officers, employees, and volunteers from any and all liability for personal injury, death or property damage caused by, arising from or in any way relating to my intentional acts, my active or passive negligence or my participation in the Middletown Green Expo or that of my employees, servants or agents.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed forms & applicable license copies to:

Town of Middletown  
Green Expo  
31 W. Main Street  
Middletown, MD 21769

For Questions or more information:

Phone: 301-371-6171  
Email: [cunangst@ci.middletown.md.us](mailto:cunangst@ci.middletown.md.us)





## GIFT A TREE

A native tree planted in someone's memory or to commemorate a meaningful milestone is a living tribute that benefits present and future generations.

Gift a tree to acknowledge—

- ◆ The birth or adoption of a child
- ◆ A wedding
- ◆ An anniversary
- ◆ A graduation
- ◆ A baptism
- ◆ A birthday
- ◆ A death
- ◆ Mother's or Father's Day
- ◆ A special holiday
- ◆ A Bar/Bat mitzvah
- ◆ A team championship
- ◆ An influential teacher, coach
- ◆ Someone for a special accomplishment.



*When we plant trees, we plant the seeds of peace and the seeds of hope.* -Wangari Maatha



## WHY GIFT A TREE?

Middletown's Gift Tree program beautifies our public spaces with native trees that benefit our environment and add to our community heritage. Consider these additional benefits of planting native trees in our community.

Your gift tree can help—

- ◆ Improve air quality
- ◆ Improve walkability
- ◆ Reduce water runoff
- ◆ Conserve water
- ◆ Lower crime rates
- ◆ Control soil erosion
- ◆ Remove carbon from the atmosphere
- ◆ Increase the life of asphalt/hard surfaces
- ◆ Support local ecosystems
- ◆ Add value to community spaces
- ◆ And so much more.



MIDDLETOWN SUSTAINABILITY  
COMMITTEE

31 West Main Street, Middletown, MD 21769

For more information, contact Cindy Unangst at  
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(301)-371-6171

[www.greenmiddletown.com](http://www.greenmiddletown.com)

## GIFT A TREE

A Program of the Middletown  
Sustainability Committee



*Watercolor by Kesra Hoffman, used with permission*

*The true meaning of life is to plant  
trees, under whose shade  
you do not expect to sit.*

-Nelson Henderson



## APPLICATION

### Donor Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

This Gift Tree is for (name or event): \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

**Tree Plaque:** Please include any additional information to be engraved on the Tree Plaque: \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Information:

Once you have met with a Sustainability Team member to select your tree and location and plaque inscription, payment will be required to order your tree and plaque.

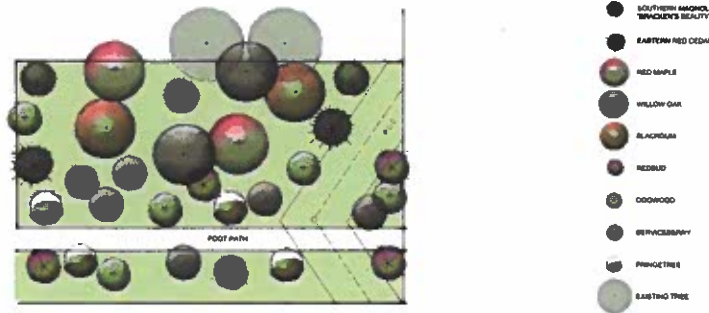
Please make checks payable to "Town of Middletown" (payments are tax deductible).

You may apply online: QR code [HERE](#)

Submit your application to:  
Middletown Sustainability Committee  
31 West Main St., Middletown, MD 21769

## ABOUT GIFTING A TREE

- ◆ Your gift tree will be a high-quality, native species with a 2 inch caliper.
- ◆ A custom plaque honoring your person/event will be installed with your tree.
- ◆ A certificate of acknowledgement will be sent to the donor.
- ◆ A list of tree donations will be maintained on the Middletown website.



*The best time to plant a tree is 25 years ago, the second best time is now. -Proverb*

TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN  
MEMORIAL TREE PROGRAM  
LINDEN BOULEVARD

### Siting A Gift Tree:

- ➔ This Gift Tree Grove site plan, designed by Stadler Nurseries, is filled with native species to beautify the Cone Branch Trail at Linden Boulevard.
- ➔ This is one of the locations ready to receive a gift tree.

### HOW TO ORDER:

- ◆ Fill out the application included in this brochure and submit as directed.
- ◆ You will be contacted by a member of the Sustainability Committee to assist you with choosing a native tree and site appropriate location. The town has designated several areas for gift trees.
- ◆ Tree prices vary by species ranging from \$300-600. The price includes a customized tree plaque.
- ◆ All trees are planted in the fall (by the end of October) to ensure the best growing conditions for the trees. Trees are planted and cared for by the town and guaranteed for 2 years.
- ◆ Applications received after September 30, will have trees planted the following year.