

# Ridgefield Tree Committee

## Town of Ridgefield Tree Committee Meeting

Tuesday May 13, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Tree Warden's Office

60 South Street FL2, Ridgefield, Connecticut

Policy: Tree Committee meetings will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order and all participants are expected to conduct themselves with dignity and treat all those present with respect, empathy and civility.

### **Agenda**

- 1) Report of Tree Warden
- 2) Approval of Minutes from April 8 Meeting
- 3) Reminder of meetings: Tuesdays 6:30pm 6/10, 8/12, 9/9, 10/14, 11/12
- 4) Finances
  - a. \$25k capital expenditure APPROVED "to plant trees in Town Cemeteries"
  - b. Update on other projects
- 5) "Sharing knowledge with community"
  - a. Tree Committee Spring circular (Paul; more assistance needed ...)
  - b. Tree Committee web site <https://www.ridgefieldct.gov/tree-committee>
  - b. Update on Facebook group "Ridgefield, CT Trees" (247 members)
- 6) Main Street planting:
  - a. CBYD markings completed; CT-DOT approval imminent
  - b. Timing: Parade from Jesse Lee to Ballard Park; pegs will be removed in viewing area
- 7) Issues
  - a. Ballard Green walkways littered in autumn with nuts fallen from trees; Scouts?
- 8) Other projects
  - a. Renewing Tree City & Growth Award applications annually
  - b. Forestry Management Plan revision
  - c. Identifying trees & mapping LOCATIONS using GPS
  - d. Oak tree for Caudatowa Garden Club behind Playhouse sign east of East Ridge Rd.
  - e. Library & Outdoor presentation(s)/ "hands on" seminars
  - f. Seven Members for Seven Sectors
    - e-1) Assess Town RoW trees et al. for a) safety; b) continuity of travel & utilities
    - e-2) Identify locations for "trees of note"
    - e-3) Manage Woodlands and Urban Forests – Review of Municipal Policies
  - g. Arboretum accreditation
- 9) Public Engagement (".... share knowledge with the Community; establish and maintain an optimum, stable, and safe public tree and plant environment")
- 10) Adjournment