

**BATH COMMUNITY FORESTRY COMMITTEE AGENDA**  
**June 6, 2023 @ 6:00pm**

**Minutes from previous month** – Review/approve

**Activities Reports**

**Communications and town committee reports (community newsletter monthly deadline on 20<sup>th</sup> of each month)**

- Facebook update

**Education –**

- Potential pamphlet for native tree plantings (recommendation from Climate Conversations meeting)
- Schedule date for summer mushroom walk and insect walk
- Landscape awards

**Finance**

- Review current financial report

**Tree Care/Nursery**

- Drafting guidelines with the city on how to choose sites for tree planting (Bruce and Nancy)
- Update to committee on tree planting workday (Bruce)
- Middle School nursery update (Jim and Nancy)

**Butler Head -**

- Invasives contract and invasives mapping (Jack update)
- KELT annual easement monitoring (Jack update)
- Sign inventory and needs (Bruce update)
- Salamander issue and thoughts for next spring (Nancy update)

**Old Business**

- Hummer Property donation (Jim update)

**New Business**

- Check-in on monthly meeting time – does first Tuesday still work?
- Process for plan in preparation for next budget cycle
- Resurrecting the BCFC newsletter
- Jack – report out on any activities of interest to committee
- Rod – report out on any activities of interest to committee
- Street Tree inventory

**Upcoming Events**

Committee aspirations:

1. Network with other city committees that intersect with forestry committee interests
2. Continue to manage Butler Head focusing on:
  - forest management to deal with pests and pathogens,
  - marking boundaries (141 acres)
  - controlling invasive species
  - expanding Butler Head (41-acre donation)
  - maple syrup sale

3. Continue to manage community nursery, focusing on:
  - expand to include a larger suite of species such as native shrubs
  - relocate mature stock and plant new stock to areas in need of restoration (ex.: ponds at the cemetery and strip along the backside of the current nursery, pump station)
  - set up a pocket park as a demonstration site
  - collaborate with local funeral homes and/or gardening centers to initiate a “memory tree” program
  - develop an “in memoriam” walkway near nursery, in/adjacent to cemetery
4. Develop a resource for homeowners wanting to choose native plants for their property
5. Expand educational offerings to include guided public hikes at Butler Head - bird walks (spring), mushroom walk (summer/fall), insect walk (summer/fall), tree i.d. (leaf on and leaf off)