



## **Ridgewood Shade Tree Commission 1/13/2026 Meeting Minutes**

**In attendance:** Adam Brown, Miles Luo, Medhi Mani, Declan Madden, Tim Hlavacek, Nancy Brennan-Hill, George Wolfson, Siobhan Winograd, Andrew Gorman (present by phone), Yuna Kim, Emma Dowman, Keelin Sullivan

- Meeting in the Garden Room called to order by Adam Brown at 7:34 pm.
- Minutes from the December meeting approved.

### **Vote for Commission Titles**

Adam moves for Deb to be secretary. Nancy seconds. Unanimous approval  
George nominates Adam and Nancy to be co-chairs. Tim seconds. Unanimous approval  
Adam nominates Tim H. to be vice chair. Nancy seconds. Unanimous approval

### **Town Trees**

Discussion around the town's ability to plant town trees on the homeowner side of the right of way

### **Replacing Cut Down Trees**

When the town cuts a tree for any reason, we will automatically replace it unless homeowner opts out.  
Will put door hangers on residences to inform homeowners about opt out option

### **1,000 Tree Initiative**

Siobhan will reach out to Signal to initiate this project

### **Green Team Update**

Yuna Kim: trying to get more trees planted on Board of Ed property

### **Strip Planting**

George: need a pilot program and must outline our purpose  
Need some guidance on plants that will work. Nothing over 40"  
Montclair has this

### **2026 Target**

Plant 250 town trees for the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary + additional adopt-a-saplings

### **Earth Day**

Declan will source 150 small + 50 big trees to hand out  
Should we have them bare root? Or in pots with soil?

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- None

**ADJOURNMENT**

- Adjournment at 8:56 pm. Next meeting, February 10 at 7:30 pm in the Garden Room at Village Hall

*-Minutes recorded by Tim Hlavacek*