

Holiday Lighting Committee Minutes

November 19, 2020

Zoom: 9:am

Members Present: Connie Kieley, Dan Masterson, Mary Scholl, Rob Wills, Matt Cabana

I. **Review and approve Minutes of January 23, 2020** (not done, schedule for next meeting).

II. **Discussion:**

Dan recused himself from cost discussion regarding tree trimming. It had been previously decided that Dan and a helper would be paid for tree trimming, eliminating the need for extra volunteers. 2020 total cost for trimming and removing lights is not to exceed \$1600. Dan is currently in the process of tree trimming and expects completion by 11/22.

Rob will energize power to boxes at the fence for Dan to test lights.

Connie will order lights for new maple tree and replacement of any defective strings.

Vince Mamone has contacted Rob and offered to donate a large spruce for the focus tree. The committee felt very positive about this and will make a trip to assess the tree and configure transportation issues. Matt will contact Vince, and keep the committee informed via a "text chain" he set up today.

After discussion, it was decided to leave the 2021 budget request at \$2200.

The trees on the Common perimeter will be lit on Sunday, November 27.

The focus tree on the Common will be lit on Sunday, December 6, at 6pm. It was decided that in compliance with current COVID-19 restrictions and recommendations, residents will be encouraged to attend the lighting event while parked in their vehicles, around the Common.

Connie will prepare a draft poster to alert local residents of plans for the 2020 tree lighting and will submit info to Monadnock Ledger.

Rob presented a proposal to illuminate the Church Steeple and Town Hall with a high-powered flood light on Christmas Eve (only). Rob has the equipment and ability to do this. He will approach Select Board with this at tonight's SB meeting.

Submitted by Mary Scholl

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