

Haddonfield, NJ
Shade Tree Commission (STC)
Regularly Scheduled Meeting – Virtually via ZOOM
April 20, 2021

Opening / Sunshine Law Reading

- Robin Potter opened the meeting with a reading of the “Sunshine Law” statement at 8:05 AM.
- Shade Tree Commissioners present were Robin Potter (chair), Jane Berkowitz, Scott McElhone, Ann Koelling, Ralph Ciallella, Laurel Musto, and Deb Troiani, as well as Borough Commissioner Neal Rochford, Borough DPW Foreman Bill Ober, Zoning Officer Tavis Karrow, and Borough Administrator Sharon McCullough.

Minutes Review

- January, February and March 2021 minutes were unanimously approved.

Private Construction

- 22”DBH sweet gum tree had inadequate protection during demolition. Resolution passed to escrow \$1500 for a period of two years from Certificate of Occupancy to cover cost of potential removal of tree. Tree is currently leafing out.
- 301 Centre. Underground oil tank on Borough property. Recommend removal of tank and tree rather than fill with sand.
- 200 Merion. Insurance will investigate tree roots found under the basement.
- 315 Prospect. Resident expresses desire for construction in 18’ Borough right of way. No plan filed yet.

Public Construction Projects

- Hinchman. Jane and Bill walked the site with the county and will supervise the planting which is expected to take place soon.

Other

- Emerald Ash Borer. Sharon will get PO to the vendor this week for June treatment.
- Spring planting is planned for 11 trees.
- Arbor Day tree planting will be across the street from Tatem Elementary School. No celebration is planned this year.
- Fall Planting. Work on the list is in progress.
- Branch Managers. Pruning of 498 trees is complete. Ivy removal in progress. Recruiting for photographers for grant documentation. Two year ash tree condition survey will be done in late June.
- Salem NJ Oak seedling. Robin picked up the seedling which will be planted at Crows Woods temporarily. Eventual (3 year) plan is to plant it in a permanent location. Friends Cemetery has been suggested as a possibility.

Close of Meeting

- **Meeting adjourned at 9:40 AM.**

Submitted By: Deb Troiani

CC: Commissioner Rochford, Administrator McCullough, Borough Clerk Bennett, STC Commissioners.