

Haddonfield, NJ
Shade Tree Commission (STC)
Regularly Scheduled Meeting – Virtually via ZOOM
May 18, 2021

Opening / Sunshine Law Reading

- Robin Potter opened the meeting with a reading of the “Sunshine Law” statement at 8:03 AM.
- Shade Tree Commissioners present were Robin Potter (chair), Jane Berkowitz, Scott McElhone, Ann Koelling, Ralph Ciallella, and Deb Troiani, as well as Borough DPW Foreman Bill Ober, Zoning Officer Tavis Karrow, and Borough Administrator Sharon McCullough.

Minutes Review

- April 2021 minutes review was deferred.

Private Construction

- 233 Lakeview. Resident called to report a dead tree. Escrow from construction activity will be used to cover the cost of tree removal.
- Jobel Drive. Commendable job was done on the tree inventory for this site. Corrections to C101.1 and c102 will be reviewed by Robin and sent to Tavis.
- 319 Knoll Top. Permission is granted for removal of declining maple at owner’s expense.
- 17 Lafayette. Resident requests removal of healthy red oak that is pushing up the sidewalk. The sidewalk could be improved, and DPW made a temporary fix to the driveway. Tree removal is not approved.
- 240 W. Summit. Sidewalk was not poured as requested to accommodate the tree pit due to location of sidewalk, property line, and maintaining ADA compliance.
- 315 Prospect. Borough trees are present on the 18’ right of way that must be protected prior to construction permits being granted. Plans may include a driveway that will impact Borough trees.
- 927-933 Warwick. Subdivision proposal has been withdrawn.
- Bancroft plan. We have correct inventory. Terms and conditions must be updated.

Public Construction Projects

- Hinchman. Trees were planted under Borough and STC supervision.

DPW.

Tree removals are underway. A contract is out for 71 stumps. 50-60 stalks will be put out for bid.

Other

- Emerald Ash Borer. PO is ready for late spring treatment.
- Spring planting is complete.
- Fall Planting. Work on the list is in progress. 80 trees have been budgeted with a focus on resident requests and small trees for narrow spots as large natives are not suitable for fall planting.
- Concord Ave. Plan to meet with new commissioners to determine the best approach to planting due to utility complications.
- State planting grants will not be available to us until next spring 2022.
- Branch Managers. Ivy work, grant documentation photography, and ash tree evaluation is continuing.

Close of Meeting

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

Submitted By: Deb Troiani

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