

Haddonfield, NJ
Shade Tree Commission (STC)
Regularly Scheduled Meeting
October 18, 2022

Opening / Sunshine Law Reading

- STC Chair Scott McElhone opened the meeting with a reading of the “Sunshine Law” statement at 8:03 AM.
- Shade Tree Commissioners present were Ralph Ciallella, Deb Troiani, Jane Berkowitz, Bill Polise, and Allison Pescatore as well as DPW Foreman Bill Ober.

Correspondence

- Harriet Monshaw, 15 Colonial Ave. Requests a tree be planted at 247 Kings Highway East, S4.
- Resident, 316 Bradshaw. Request made to Bill Ober for permission to remove a pin oak at resident expense. STC approves the request due to line of sight obstruction.

Community comment

- none

Construction

Private Construction

- 45-47 Walnut St. The Shade Tree Commission, after healthy & open discussion centered around current conditions, Borough policy, and May 2021 subdivision Report, voted to
 - Permit removal of the 31” DBH Ash on the subdivision property;
 - Permit removal of certain Borough-owned street trees (pink oak and ash) located on the Lincoln Avenue side of the subject corner property;
 - Require immediate placement of construction fencing around the sawtooth oak located on the Walnut Street side of the subject corner property in accordance with the Haddonfield Shade Tree Commission Policy for Construction Fencing to Protect Borough-owned Trees;
 - Escrow with the Construction Office of \$3,000 for the sawtooth
 - Require Tree Replacement Assessment equivalent of five (5) trees which has a dollar value of \$1,750 in accordance with Section 56-9A of Borough Code. The STC will replant as many trees as practical on this park-strip in the future. For clarity, this is related to the removal of the 31" DBH Ash tree on the subdivision location.

DPW Updates

- Bid is out for 30 tree removals and stump removals.
- Fall Planting. Two trees remain to be planted. 329 Springfield needs equipment to remove hardscape under the grass.
- Spring Planting. Bid is out for tree purchase. Research is needed to determine the presence of underground utilities at the parking lot behind the mini mall before trees can be planted there.

Other

- Branch Manager training class will be scheduled for early December.
- START(Shade Tree Approved Resident Tree) Program has received two applicants.

Close of Meeting

- **Meeting adjourned at 9:37AM.**

Submitted By: Deb Troiani

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