

**HADDON TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMISSION
MINUTES
March 24, 2021**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Township of Haddon Shade Tree Commission held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 7:00 pm via Zoom due to Covid.

Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 requires adequate notice of this meeting be provided specifying time, place, and agenda. This has been done by placing an Annual Notice in the Courier-Post and Retrospect Newspapers, and by posting on two bulletin boards in the Municipal Building.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Chris Squazzo	Present
John Nystedt	Present
Marge Howley	Present
Kevin Murphy	Present
Renee Papaneri	Present
Jim Rhodes	Present
Betty Brookes	Present

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

Chris Squazzo discussed whether or not we can move forward on in person meetings. No decision at this point.

MINUTES

Chris Squazzo motioned to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2021 meeting. Renee Papaneri seconded. Minutes approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public attended the meeting.

BUSINESS

Spring 2021 Planting, Mitigation Trees and BID Trees: Lisa Simms, New Jersey Tree Foundation, will have the Mark Outs ready by the weekend of April 3rd, so the STC

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Commissioners can mark the tree locations. Kevin Murphy will check at the Environmental Center to make sure there are enough gator bags for the planting. Chris requested the gator bags remain on the trees that were just planted in the Fall 2020. All members were in agreement.

Marge Howley discussed how the species of the new trees could be communicated to the residents. Jim Rhodes suggested uploading the new trees on Gov Pilot.

The trees will be delivered the week of March 29th. There was a discussion regarding the multi-stem trees that were planted in the past on Briarwood Avenue. The trees are doing well and the STC does not plant multi-stem trees. Marge reviewed the various species being planted and requested the Commissioners contact her with suggestions.

The planting will begin the week of April 5th. Once the mark-outs are completed, Marge will send out a list of locations to STC Commissioners to mark where the trees should be planted in the curb strip.

Marge said the following streets could be use to plant next year: Addison, Belmont and Walnut.

Annual Accomplishment Report/CORE/Tree City USA: The Annual Accomplishment Report is not yet completed. Jim Rhodes requested everyone email him their hours spent volunteering including marking out tree locations, evaluations, planting, specs etc.

Town-wide Maintenance Prune Contract: John Nystedt has completed pruning bid spec. Chris will present to Mayor Teague.

Tree Inventory: Once Jim receives the latest spreadsheets from this year's planting, he will upload to Gov Pilot. Jim suggested getting volunteers, possibly students, to aide in tree inventory.

Review of STC Forms: Tabled

CEU'S FOR 2021: Chris wants to have a group class for training/CEU's. He is reaching out to Brial Hotsko, PSE&G, to present class on Fungi. Chris is open for suggestions.

Violations: 204 Wilson Avenue violation is in process.

MEMBER COMMENTS

The Go Green Drive Thru Event is scheduled for Saturday, April 24th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

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ADJOURNMENT

Chris motioned to adjourn the regular meeting. Marge seconded. Meeting adjourned.

WORK SESSION

Postponed