

**HADDON TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMISSION
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 23, 2022**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Township of Haddon Shade Tree Commission held on Wednesday, February 23rd, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the Haddon Township Environmental and Historical Center at 143 E. Ormond Avenue Haddon Township, New Jersey.

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.

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

The following has been added to the agenda: maintenance plan for curb trees including plan for sycamore trees.

MINUTES

Renee Papaneri motioned to approve the minutes from the October 27th, 2021 meeting. John Nystedt seconded. Minutes approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Nasto (new attendee), Lauren Nasto and Morris Cooperman continue to attend the STC meetings with interest in volunteering.

BUSINESS

Tree Planting Spring 2022: Marge Howley, project manager, gave an update for the tree planting 2022. The tree planting will start on April 27th or April 28th. All STC Commissioners should mark the location for the tree to be planted the weekend of April 22nd.

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Tree Tenders: The STC discussed developing a sub-committee for Tree Tenders. More information is needed on how to establish the committee.

Memorial Trees: The township passed a Resolution for Memorial Trees. Morris has volunteered to follow-up on memorial trees.

Salem White Oak Seedlings: The STC received a Salem Oak from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. The Salem Oak will be planted at the Municipal Building. Marge and John will decide location and when the tree will be planted.

Community Forestry Management Plan: Chris will contact Bill Brash for an estimate to write the new plan. Chris will also look into grant money.

Tree Inventory: Jim Rhodes gave an update on the tree inventory through Gov Pilot. Ten years of data was successfully updated. Marge will give Jim information on recently planted trees. Jim suggested having a meeting for training and will resend the demonstration video for review. Marge requested each commissioner check their areas after the tree planting, to verify the species planted, location and take a picture for Gov Pilot.

Violations: 204 Wilson Avenue: Discussion ensued on who is responsible for the removal of tree without a permit: homeowner, solar panel company or tree contractor. John made a motion to include all three parties: homeowner, solar panel company and tree company (Enright) in the violation removal of the tree at 204 Wilson Avenue without a permit. All commissioners voted yes.

Chris has submitted all the information to Betty Band, Compliance, for 26 Washington Avenue, 235 Nicholson Road and 106 Virginia Avenue to issue violations.

MEMBER AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

After a group discussion on maintenance of township trees, Morris recommended including Sycamore trees as part of the maintenance plan.

ADJOURNMENT

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