SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING

November 9, 2015

8:00 PM

SENIOR CITIZEN BUILDING

4 Lewis Street (Behind Borough Hall)

Please let Nils Abate know if you cannot attend the meeting.
1. Open Public Meeting Statement
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Meeting Open to Public
6. Discussion of any public comments and questions
7. Close meeting to public
8. Correspondence
9. Inspections
10. Old Business
    • Brian Stabile regarding Mr. Yang, suggestion for the approval/preservation/denial be done in writing
    • Finalize response to Mr. Yang
    • Ruckman Park - Nils emailed Jim Oettinger regarding trees; he has not received a reply as of this meeting
11. New Business
    • Discuss the pruning specs and pricing
    • The STC received three quotes from the five (5) vendors we solicited quotes from. The results are:

      DeCarlo Tree Masters $6,825.00

      Arrow Tree Service $14,250.00

      Precision Tree Svc. $18,944.00

    • New Planting locations
    • Tree planting quotes – available and to be finalized tonight.
    • Leslie has submitted 2016 Tree City USA Application

12. Adjournment
CLOSTER SHADE TREE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 12TH MEETING

Present: Nils Abate, Todd Bradbury, George Futterknecht, Anthony Lupardi, Sr., Brian Stabile, John Kashwick, Leslie Weatherly-Coordinator

Absent: David Barad, Patricia Ix

Nils called the meeting to order and read the Public Meetings Statement. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the roll call taken.

The minutes of the September 14th meeting were approved as presented.

Meeting Open to Public:

Correspondence:

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  Arrow Tree Service     $14,250.00  
  Precision Tree Svc.    $18,944.00

Mr Peter Yan / 8 Patton Lane (psyang629@gmail)

Mr. Yang came forward to speak with the Commission regarding the oak tree that was planted two–three years ago. The Yang’s believe that the oak tree is attracting deer and are asking for permission to change out the tree with another species that doesn’t attract deer. They don’t want the oak tree for three reasons:
Oak tree will entangle gas lines in next few years, close to sidewalk and will destroy the sidewalk in 5 years, and most important, deer are attracted to the tree. They are afraid of tics; acorns in the ground create hazard for the young children. Owner would take recommendation of STC for selection of tree.

During a conversation addressing Mr. Yang’s concerns. George suggested raising the lowest branches so that the deer can’t reach it. Todd suggested maintenance for the 3 weeks acorns drop. STC discussed possibility of deer prevention. It was suggested the STC review the ordinances as this is a healthy tree.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Leslie requested everyone review the 2016 Tree City USA Application so that it can be submitted.

Meeting concluded at 9:20 p.m.