SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING

October 12, 2015

8:00 PM

SENIOR CITIZEN BUILDING

4 Lewis Street (Behind Borough Hall)

Please let Nils Abate know if you cannot attend the meeting.
CLOSTER SHADE TREE COMMISSION
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AGENDA

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
   • Update on 15 William Street – any additional response from Multi Phase Electrical?
   • Review updated STC Requests for Removal and Pruning

11. New Business
    • New Tree Problems
    • Other New Business

12. Adjournment
CLOSTER SHADE TREE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 14TH MEETING

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

Absent: David Barad

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 July 13th meeting were approved as presented.

Inspections: Brian noted dead tree at the corner of Crescent and Smith

Correspondence:

- Donna Vellenkamp letter regarding 15 William Street. Client, Multiphase will pay the mitigation fee of $900.00. Tree mitigated was the Twin Stalk Silver Maple
- The NJ Shade Tree Foundation Conference notice
- Rutgers Brochure with upcoming classes

Old Business:

- Ruckman Field – George has deemed that the Cherry and Birch Trees are dead. It has been recommended that the STC initiate conversations with the Park and Recreation Commission to review the status of trees at Ruckman. The STC will also make recommendations for future maintenance of any new tree work at Ruckman Field.
- STC Removal and Pruning List: List was submitted late August. Quotes due by end of September. Leslie was asked by borough to add:
  1) Ken’s Tree Care
  2) Perfect Cut Tree Service
  3) Timber Tree
OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED

- Additional conversations regarding the borough’s request for STC to participate in the Shade Tree and Stump removal Bid, similar to the Hillsdale proposal. Will review again once quotes for removals are in.
- Maple Avenue- Rockland removed tree and continued monitoring of sidewalks necessary

New Business:

2016 Budget requested by borough. Nils will submit with the following increase requests – Pruning increase from $4,000 to $12,000

- Pruning –District 3 Budget $4000 Discussed. The Borough of Closter is requesting quotes for the trimming and pruning of shade trees within the geographical area known as **Closter Voting District Three**. The boundaries are: west side of **District Three bounded by Harrington Avenue and Tenakill Brook**. For the purpose of this quote, a shade tree is defined as any portion of a street tree trunk within fifteen feet (15’) of the curb line. Location within District 3 is West side of District 3 bounded by Harrington Avenue and Tenakill Brook

Vendors to quote: Arrow, DeCarlo, Beuchler, Precision Tree, Academy Tree, All Season

- Plantings: Motion by Tod to plant a variety of trees approx. 40-50. Project to be completed by December. Motion seconded by George Futternecht and motion carried. List below from Todd:

  trees to have been grown within 300 miles of 07624:
  7 Acer saccharum (2-2 1/2")
  7 Nyssa wildfire (2-2 1/2")
  7 Quercus alba (2- 2 1/2")
  7 Parrotia Persica (2-2 1/2")
  7 Liriodendron 'ardis dwarf' or 'little volunteer' (2- 2 1/2")
  7 Prunus yedoensis (2-2 1/2")

Meeting adjourned