Closter Shade Tree Commission
Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2018

I. Call to order
   Reading of the Public Meetings Statement
   Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll call
   Present: Nils Abate, Todd Bradbury, Scott Devlin, George Futterknecht, Miriam Lockhart,
   Anthony Lupardi Sr., Tsun Tam.
   Absent: Maria Hiletzaris

III. Approval of minutes:
   Minutes were accepted as corrected

IV. Meeting open to the Public
   a) Ms. Kalabalick of 323 Homans Avenue addressed the placement of trees on her property

V. Correspondence
   a) Email from Ms. Kalabalick

VI. Old Business
   a) Paul Cowie Associates – No new requests for information have been received
   b) Tree City USA – Application has been submitted
   c) New Jersey Urban Community Annual Accomplishment Report – Submitted
   d) CEU Credits – Scott will take the required CORE training class

VII. New Business
   a) Arbor Day
      The commission voted to request quotes for trees for the Arbor Day ceremony. Tony
      will survey the school properties and make a recommendation for the species to be
      planted. Nils will contact the school principals to determine a date for the Arbor Day
      ceremonies.

   b) 323 Homans
      Commission decided to allow the homeowner to move or remove the tree on the
      Trautwein Crescent side of the house. The commission will contact the police
      department to assess if and where trees can be located on the Homans side of the
      house without interfering with the sight triangle of the street crossings.

   c) Louise Unger
      A tree in memory of a longtime member of the Shade Tree Commission will be
      planted in the fall. The location will be determined later.

   d) Bare Root Planting Experiment
      The commission voted to purchase a bare-root tree. The tree would be used to
      evaluate whether this method of planting would improve the quality of the trees that
      the borough plants.

VIII. Adjournment
      Meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.
      Minutes submitted by: Nils Abate