

CLINTON, NEW JERSEY
SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2018 AT 7:30 PM

Chairperson Deena Roberts called to order, at 7:30 pm, the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Shade Tree for the Town of Clinton, New Jersey, convening Thursday, March 22, 2018 at Town Hall.

Attendance

Deena Roberts
Dan Shea
Megan Wyckoff-Johnson (Council Representative)

Steve Kalleser
John Kashwick

1. Motion to adopt minutes of February 15, 2018 was made by John and seconded by Dan. Motion passed by voice vote.
2. Arbor Day tree planting will take place on Friday, April 27 at 10 am at 6 Main Street. The tree will be dedicated to Matt and Meghan Holt. Deena will inquire with Ceil about wording for a plaque. The Shade Tree Commission will also provide saplings provided by the state to give out to student attendees of the ceremony. Steve will print out planting instructions.
3. Another tree will be planted at the Community Center on Halstead Street. The tree to be planted is a white oak. Dan will contact Rich Phelan about having the utility companies do a mark-up.

Additional tree plantings will take place as follows:

- 8 Main Street - cherry
- 38 West Main Street - pear
- 45 West Main Street - plum
- 19 Messig Road - suggest 3 species to homeowner (there are no overhead wires so a tree that will grow to a substantial size can be planted there)
- 14 Busher Place- could plant a tree there, again suggest 3 species to homeowner.

We will need to call for mark-up before we determine the exact location to plant these trees.

4. Other Tree maintenance issues:

- We will leave standing the Hawthorne at 20 East Main Street as that tree is in good condition.
- 22 Messig Road - stump grinding
- 14 Busher Place - remove tree stump on Spruce Run side
- 12 or 14 Hillside - stump removal

5. Members of the commission will ride around town on Saturday, April 7 to look at status and health of tree inventory. Available Commission members should meet at 9:15 am at Riverside Coffee and Tea.

6. The Shade Tree Commission decided to retain Lou Spanner as town arborist.

7. There was discussion that the lantern fly was discovered in Pennsylvania and is expected to spread. We should be on the lookout for this insect that impacts multiple species of trees.

http://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Plants_Land_Water/PlantIndustry/Entomology/spotted_lanternfly/Pages/default.aspx

8. Steve worked on revising the mission statement and goals and objectives for our Community Forestry Management Plan. The Commission praised and approved the changes Steve is proposing. Steve will continue to work on the plan. Deena reported that according the representative at the NJ DEP, we have until the end of the year to get the plan approved to be in compliance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Kashwick

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