

POMPTON LAKES SHADE TREE COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 13, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT and/or EXCUSED:

Meeting called to order at 7:33 PM.

Motioned by Randy. Seconded by Maddie. Passed.

Present: Anne, Randy, Pete, Maddie, Danielle, Councilman Jaconnetta

Excused:

PUBLIC PORTION:

PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES:

Meeting minutes from April 2019 were reviewed and approved. Motioned by Randy, seconded by Pete. Passed.

SHADE TREE LIAISON: Councilman Frank Jaconnetta-

CHAIR REPORT: Anne Tacinelli -

April Hours: 5

Thank you to Maddie for coordinating our Arbor Day celebration at the town hall. Thank you to Randy for his work with John Linson and Boltzer Landscaping regarding the CSIP Grant.

APPLICATION REPORT:

Current Apps in Review:

19.006 - 203 Pine Street - Removal

New Apps in Review:

19.007 - 643 Ramapo Avenue

DISTRICT 3 & CO-CHAIR REPORT: Randy Hinton-

April Hours: 40 CSIP Hours: 20

Met with Maddie to discuss plantings and removals for the Spring.

Tagged a tree on 203 Pine Street for removal and let Maddie know that the homeowner would like a new tree when it is removed. Also marked 2 trees on Grant Avenue - 104 and 108 - for removal.

Talked to homeowner at 77 Albany about their tree removal and sidewalk repair. Attended a seminar with Pete for 3 CEUs called Right Tree, Right Place on April 12. Hung up our 11-year Tree City signs.

Visited Lincoln Elementary and Lenox Elementary with Councilwoman Polidori for an Arbor Day demonstration and celebration.

Traveled around town with John Linson and staked out places for trees for our CSIP Grant. Oversaw the planting of these trees by Boltzer Landscaping. We also went out with a representative for the CSIP Grant to show them the location of our trees and how they are helping our community.

Stopped by the First Aid Squad to check out the trees by the new electronic sign per their request. Noted that there are mushrooms growing out of the base of one of the trees as well as a dead limb. Will visit again to make a final decision about these trees.

DISTRICT 2 REPORT: Pete Auteri-

April Hours: 14

Treasury

The New Jersey Shade Tree Federation dues are paid. The new budgets sent to me show us as approved for \$50,500. The last Downes bill for \$18,955 is not shown on either this year's or last year's budget as being paid. I did find it on the budget sheet that Barbara sent me last month after our meeting. I don't know why it was not on the print out this month. Randy's PO for mileage for the first 3 months of the year is awaiting approval.

County

I sent over to the county a list of 10 Plum trees to remove on Ramapo and Colfax that are either dead or dying from Black Knot disease. They will check these out and get back to me. I also referred the homeowner complain at 643 Ramapo Ave concerning the problem with the sidewalk and his front yard. They will not remove the tree but if the homeowner wants he can remove it. He also sent we a copy of their tree policy which I forwarded to all the commissioners.

Field Checks

I field checked the trees on Ramapo Ave and Colfax Ave for any county tree removals required. Checked out new tree locations at 221 Walnut and 7 Sunset. Both OK for planting. Met Randy at 3 Garden Rd. We cannot plant a tree on the Hamburg Tpke side due to signage in the beltway and the road right of way and wall behind the sidewalk. If the homeowner wants a tree can be planted along the garden Rd frontage.

Utility Liaison

Per Randy JCPL is placing the new poles at 287 Ackerman Pl from a complaint given to us and referred to them.

Other

Randy and I attended the "Right Tree, Right Place" seminar on April 12th.

DISTRICT 4 REPORT: Madeline Denti-

April Hours: 20, CSIP Hours: 4

Up to 197 Likes and 201 Followers on Facebook! Received 1 voicemail this month.

Compiled a list of all plum trees in town for removal.

Worked with John Linson and Randy with planting for our CSIP Grant.

Our annual Arbor Day celebration was a success! Thank you to everyone for all your help!

Sent out 10 letters to homeowners to see if they would like a tree for our fall planting.

SECRETARY REPORT: Danielle Denti-

April Hours: 6

Made up new certificates for the Arbor Day essay contest.

Started to compile an Excel sheet of pruning and removal lists for easier access to commissioners.

Motion to adjourn at 9:48. Motioned by Anne, seconded by Pete. Passed.