

Delaware Township Shade Tree Commission

June 25, 2020

The regular meeting of the Delaware Township Shade Tree Commission was held on June 25th, 2020 at Dilts Park. Covid 19 guidelines were followed for public notice and personal safety. Chairman Bob Hornby called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Open Public Meetings Act

Chair Hornby noted that the requirement for this meeting have been met.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Present- Larry Coffey, Bob Hornby, Tony Szwed, Kathy Klink, Susan Lockwood, Cathy Pouria, Caroline Suesserman, A.R. Willey

Absent- Kevin Lavoie, Les Alpaugh

Approval of Minutes:

February, 27, 2020 minutes were discussed. Larry Coffey made a motion for approval, second by AR Willey, all in favor, Tony Szwed, Cathy Pouria, and Caroline Suesserman abstained.

March, April, and May Shade meetings were cancelled due to COVID concerns.

Communications and Administrative Business

Chair Comments

Old Business:

Dilts Park Tree Conditions-The Commission did a walk-through of several areas of Dilts Park to observe the conditions of trees affected by the emerald ash borer. The commission previously made recommendations to the township committee regarding treatment and removal of ash trees. Progress was noted, as well as areas that still need attention. Several new trees have been planted by the playground.

Concerns about Spotted Lanternfly infestations and education was discussed.

Free Trees will be distributed April 24, Ellen at DTS is the contact. Earth Day will be observed at DTS on April 22 with an Art Festival from 6-8pm.

New Business: Tree City USA application was discussed. The commission is interested in pursuing Tree City USA status for Delaware Township and this was a 2020 goal.

Public Comment: None

Motion to Adjourn- Made by Larry Coffey, Second by Sue Lockwood, all in favor. The meeting was concluded at 8:20.

Respectfully Submitted, Cathy Pouria, Secretary