Delaware Township Shade Tree Commission

Hunterdon County, NJ

The regular meeting of the Delaware Township Shade Tree commission was held on September 27th, 2018. Chairman Bob Hornby called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Meeting Statement

Chair Hornby read a statement noting that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met.

Roll Call:

Larry Coffey, Bob Hornby, Kathy Klink, Dan Kwasnik, Kevin Lavoie, Susan Lockwood, Cathy Pouria, Caroline Suesserman, Tony Szwed, A.R. Willey

(absences shown by strikethroughs)

Minutes: September 26, 2019

Member Klink made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Member Szwed seconded the motion, that was adopted by voice vote, with an abstention by Member Lockwood.

Communication and Administrative Business

It was noted that the 2019 Budget included sufficient funds for three (3) people to attend the annual Shade Tree Commission Conference. It was further noted that only Chair Hornby is attending and that he has already been registered.

Old Business

Arbor Day Tree Selection

Member Klink reported that she has started working with the student Environmental Congress at DTS. She noted that the students have been instructed to do research on native trees for Township residents. She noted that students were told to think of all types of yards and properties for size and type of tree. It was noted that the January meeting would be a good meeting for the students to present their information on trees.

November-December meeting

Member Klink reported that the notice has been put into the paper and on the website that the combined meeting will be December 5, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. It was noted that 2020 membership and budget will be discussed that night.

New Business

Dilts Park Tree Work

There was a discussion about the tree work that is needed for the Dilts Park. Part of the discussion involved the playground area and the six or seven ash trees that are there that will probably have to be removed. It was discussed that a plan needs to be developed that will be ready for implementation. It was also discussed that there should be research on grants for planting trees.

2020 ideas to consider 50th anniversary of Earth Day – April 22

Possible EC celebration that evening

"Free Cycle" event, possibly on April 25, 2019 (Saturday after Earth Day)

Comments from the Committee

Member Klink noted that the Environmental Commission is having a work session on the White Oak Trail on November 16, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Adjournment: 8:25 p.m.

Member Tiny made a motion to adjourn at the noted time. Member Lockwood seconded the motion that was adopted by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen E. Klink, for Cathy Pouria

Budget INFO

#01-201-21-106-200	Shade Tree	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020
	commission O/E			Adjusted	Charged	Requested
#01-201-21-106-206	Shade Tree				95	
	Comm. Dues					
#01-201-21-106-200	Shade Tree	500	610	808	220	
	commission O/E					

\$220.00 = \$95.00 for Annual Membership

\$125.00 for one (1) member to attend NJ Annual Shade Tree Conference