CLOSTER SHADE TREE COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 11, 2013 MEETING

Present: Nils Abate, George Futterknecht, John Kashwick, Anthony Lupardi, Sr.,

Keith Scholz and Louise Ungar, Members; and Leslie Weatherly,

Coordinator

Absent: Todd Bradbury, Anthony Ix and Patricia Ix

Nils opened the meeting with the Public Meetings Statement. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the Roll Call taken.

The minutes of the October 14th meeting were approved as presented.

Meeting Opened to the Public:

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Correspondence:

Letters addressed to members were distributed.

Old Business:

Nils e-mailed all the information to Paul Cowie he had requested. Nils had expected to hear from him on Wednesday, but did not. The status of our 5 Year Forestry Management Plan is now "in progress".

Nils has found the pictures of the Sidewalk Showcase showing possible remedies to the lifting of sidewalks.

Cleatus Farms, Inc. of Northvale has planted the trees at Ruckman Park. We are planning to water the trees that had been put in. Cleatus also has about 50% of the other plantings done. It was noted that there were some issues with the wind. It was suggested we need to do a "selling" job for new plantings, particularly for those at new houses.

Leslie states Arrow Tree Service is making steady progress on the stump grinding.

John informs us there is no word on the Sidewalk Maintenance Grant.

The Perry Street plantings will be addressed when the sidewalk repair is completed.

There was discussion regarding recommendations for trees to be planted at new buildings as per the ordinance (Page 45 in the Community Forestry Management Plan book.) Louise will bring a Construction Packet to the next meeting.

A pile of dirt has been dumped at the Pollack Square Park and George volunteered to take care of spreading it. A tree also needs to be planted at this site.

A budget should be submitted to the town for next year. After discussion, M/S/C we request \$42,500.00 to include a line item for a person to inspect recent plantings.

New Business:

No new business was discussed.

There being no further business, M/S/C the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary