

Closter Shade Tree Commission
Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 11, 2021

8:00 p.m.

Held remotely via Zoom

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call

Present: Nils Abate, Chair; Todd Bradbury; Scott Devlin, Council Liaison;
George Futterknecht; Miriam Lockhart, Secretary; Anthony Lupardi, Sr.;
George Paschalis; Tsun Tam

Absent: Nancy Pergament, Environmental Commission Chair/STC Liaison;

III. Approval of Minutes.

The December 14, 2020 minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. Public Comment - none

V. Old Business

a) 63 Bergenline Avenue - Homeowner was advised that tree is not planted correctly, and given instruction on proper planting. Information given to the Building Department.

b) Watering newly planted shade trees. May 15-Sept. 15. Need specs. STC to discuss watering specs at 2.8.21 meeting, to go out to quote.

c) Ash tree removals. Almost completed.

d) 2020-1 tree removals. Work to be completed mid-January.

e) Fall tree planting 2020. Complete.

f) Pruning Dist. 4 & downtown. Decarlo is busy from the storm; pruning not completed.

g) 2020 Arbor Day Poster Contest. Contact made with Hillside School for 2021 poster contest. This year's winners to be announced on Arbor Day, April 30, 2021.

h) Hang tags for shade trees, to build awareness and community buy-in. Discussion on design and wording.

VI. New Business

a) 2021 budget - submitted.

b) Mayor's newsletter submission for January - winter pruning.

c) AAR 2020 Annual Report - submitted.

VII. Liaison Reports

- a. Governing body. Councilman Devlin informed that the Borough will be taking down some ash trees in Farrell Woods, behind the library.
- b. Environmental Commission. Chair Pergament absent; no report given.

VIII. Plans from Building Department. Review and comment

- a. 39 Garry Rd.
- b. 17 Wellington Ave
- c. 766 CDR
- d. 307 Demarest Ave
- e. 283 Homans Ave

VII. Adjournment: 8:48 p.m.