

# Mountain Lakes Shade Tree Commission Minutes

Mar 11, 2020 7pm Borough Hall

## Attendee's:

Marnie Vyff	Chris Capodanno
Sandy Batty	Lucas Stelling
Jacqueline Edwards	John Briggs
Phyllis Deering	

1. Administration  
January & February Meeting Minutes were reviewed and approved
2. Prune & Remove 2020  
Was update and some removals are still pending status with the Borough to be contracted
3. Island Beach & Birchwood Projects  
Rain Garden Projects are under Review and New Tree Plantings  
Feedback on the potential Tree Removals were provided by the Shade Tree Commission
4. ML Development Projects & BOE Property  
Concern that the Sunrise Project is not putting ample protective barrier around the tree's during construction and Marnie will check further based on original input
5. CMFP/Tree City  
The CMFP deadline was postponed and Phyllis is preparing required information for Tree City USA status
6. Arbor Day and other Event Planning  
Planning is underway for free Tree's during Arbor Day, Earth Day, and the Trout Derby
7. Core Training 2020  
The NJ Forest Service Urban & Community Forestry Program's (NJUCF) Core Training workshop is scheduled for Saturday, March 28, 2020 at the Holly House at Rutgers Gardens and review of possible STC attendee's
8. New Tree Planting & Tree Removal Ordinance Review
  - A discussion took place on the previous proposal to the Council to add language to our Ordinance that if a Tree is removed it should be replaced. Ongoing discussion to take place to try to identify concerns expressed as we work to maintain our Tree Canopy
  - Possible New Planting ideas were discussed, including a Legacy Tree Planting Program, the Boro providing Certificates or Coupons for plantings in the residential set-backs, and possible goals to be further reviewed