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Mountain Lakes Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

March 10th, 2017

6:00 p.m. Borough Hall

Members Present: Marnie Vyff, Consuelo Murtagh, Heather Scott, Chris Capodanno, John Briggs, Jay Eveleth and Borough Council Liaison Lauren Barnett

1. Comments from the Public: None
2. Welcome to new STC member John Briggs.
3. Minutes from February 2017 approved with corrections.
4. Marnie passed out Shade Tree Commission cards. Marnie will put in for John Briggs.
5. Marnie sent BARKA their approvals. BARKA will come back to STC if more plantings are needed.
6. Consuelo submitted our Prune and Removals to Rich Sheola on February 23. Consuelo and arborist Kris Hasbrook toured our Borough. Prune and Remove will go out to bid. We have fewer trees than last year for P&R. STC hopes to come in at budget this year for P&R.
7. Marnie and Brian Marshall met with Jason at JCP&L who will begin their P&R in late May. STC will need to make note of JCP&L removals from our master tree list.
8. Marnie applied for a grant from Sustainable Jersey for \$500-\$1000. A portion of the grant monies will be used to create a more “user friendly” software program for our tree inventory. This inventory will be created by Marnie’s son with help from his college professor.
9. STC to table the Ordinance update.

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10. The theme of this years Arbor Day is “Importance of Trees for Wildlife”. A unanimous vote was taken for Jerry Uhrig to be named the STC annual Arbor Day Honoree.

11. Marnie asks all STC members to attend the Arbor Day Program April 28th at 1:30pm. STC will again distribute free trees at DPW on Saturday April 29th with a Rain Barrel Workshop Sunday April 30th 1pm at the Mountain Lakes High School Cafeteria.

12. Consuelo asks by the end of May if we will have a true EAB survey from arborist Kris Hasbrook. Consuelo has also asked Kris to check the Intervale area.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting April 13th, 2017

6 p.m. Borough Hall

Heather Scott