

## **FINAL**

### Mountain Lakes Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

May 11th, 2017

6:00 p.m. Borough Hall

Members Present: Consuelo Murtagh, John Briggs, Heather Scott, Sandy Batty, Jay Eveleth and Borough Council Liaison Lauren Barnett

1. Comments from the Public: None
2. Minutes for April 2017 approved with corrections.
3. Kings, Mountain Lakes took all STC recommendations, including keeping the roads private and using native species. STC will ask for a tree inventory of Spruce Edge Conservation Easement to be added to trees on inventory list.
4. Arbor Day was a sunny, warm, success. Janet Horst did a fabulous job engaging the students as well as the adults with her creative skit this year. Dr. Anne Mucci's reading was well received, and Mayor Peter Holmberg read the Arbor Day Proclamation. STC honoree Jerry Uhrig said he dedicated his tree to Cliff Miles.
5. The tree distribution outcome report from Arborist is expected at the end of June 2017.
6. Prune and Remove tabled.
7. Chris Capodanno will submit 3 Grants. A grant from The Town Club of Mountain Lakes for trees and an STC Banner. A CSIP grant for 20 trees, and a CSIP grant for the EAB. Consuelo to review CSIP with Chris.
8. Sandy will review the Ordinances update, including updating suggested tree species. STC looking to increase penalty for tree protection and require a deposit/bond be posted to ensure STC Ordinances are followed.

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9. EAB Task force is supported by the Woodlands. STC and Woodlands are willing to work together toward EAB issues.
10. Lauren Barnett suggested new residents receive printed information from our Borough website wrapped in a green waste bag tied with a ribbon. Lauren suggested presenting the “gift” of Borough information be passed out at the annual Town Club Newcomer’s Party held each October.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting June 8th, 2017

6 p.m. Borough Hall

Heather Scott