

# Mountain Lakes Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

January 9th, 2018

6:00 p.m. Borough Hall

*Meeting has been noticed to the newspapers and media*

Members Present: Marnie Vyff, Consuelo Murtagh, Heather Scott, Chris Capodanno, John Briggs, Jay Eveleth, and Borough Council Liason Cynthia Korman.

1. Comments from the Public: Welcome Phyllis Deering, potential new STC member and Mountain Lakes High School student Lucan Franzblau.
2. Minutes for November 2017 to be approved with corrections.
3. Heather and John will input 2017 Prune and Remove by the weekend. 2017 Prune and Remove tree inputs to be complete.
4. New program possibilities by Ron Frank, gratis or grant monies. Janet Horst has discussed helping STC with database program with Ron Frank. Idea put to commission. Discussed efforts made by Kristian Vyff and what still needs to be done. Marnie Vyff agreed to reach out to Mr. Frank to explore.
5. Cynthia Korman will post two openings on Borough website, one for a STC alternate, and another for a full STC member position. STC alternate Edwina Marchev has issued her resignation.
6. Marnie and Consuelo met to discuss STC. STC contributed 751 hours of volunteer work. The CMFP Tree City USA are due the end of January.
7. Chris Capodanno stated 27 shade trees have been planted with the grant funds from the Town Club and the the State, at a cost of \$300 per tree. The state will inspect these trees for the next four years to ensure proper care and maintenance. This process is part of the state grant monies.

8. Consuelo and Kris Hasbrook to pick a date for the EAB, to discuss options such as cutting or treating, and what to do with the wood from EAB infected trees. NJ Morris County currently has a forestry plan.

9. Ordinance update remains unfinished business.

10. Arbor Day 2018 date to be determined, possibly May 4th. Phyllis is willing to consider running the program, with assistance from Marnie Vyff and Consuelo Murtagh.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting February 8th, 2018

6 p.m. Borough Hall

Heather Scott