

Mountain Lakes Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

November 9th, 2017

6:00 p.m. Borough Hall

Members Present: Marnie Vyff, Consuelo Murtagh, Heather Scott, Sandy Batty, John Briggs, Jay Eveleth

1. Comments from the Public: None
2. Minutes for October 2017 approved with corrections.
3. 2016 Prune and Removal complete.
4. Tree Survey 2017 walks complete, entries to be input.
5. King of Kings updates from developer- they will zig zag plantings between building 4 & 5.
6. Marnie will send out a 10 year budget plan to all STC members for comments.
7. Chris Capodanno completed much work on the CSIP grants on behalf of STC this year. Consuelo marked areas for trees to be planted using STC grant monies. Tree planting will take place in December 2017 and January 2018.
8. STC and Woodlands have met to establish the Mountain Lakes EAB task force. Consuelo and Marnie will create EAB content on the STC website with a link to the Borough's home page.
9. Jay gave a historical overview of the Borough's current tree ordinances. These ordinances were put in place to protect our Borough canopy and prevent clear cutting of property. He and Sandy noted that today, tree protection is even more important as the Borough's tree canopy has eroded in the last 48 years. Our ordinances need to protect the significant trees planted 100 years ago.

10. CEU credits for the 2017 and State of NJ Forestry Conference need to be determined by attendee, Consuelo Murtagh and Dan Dennison.

11. We have a MLHS student interested in attending STC meetings. STC will not be participating in Wildwood Experience Day November 18th. Marnie passed around 2018 STC positions. Consuelo will add STC website content management to her list of positions.

Meeting adjourned 7:40 p.m.

Next Meeting December 14th, 2017

6 p.m. Borough Hall

Heather Scott