

Date: June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

7 pm

Room 201/ Town Hall

**1. Roll Call:**

**In attendance**

- Kristin Ace: Chair/Secretary
- Sandi Mayer
- Bob Norkin
- Deb Regan: Vice Chair
- Rich Wolowicz: Arborist

**Absent**

- JoAnn Casadevall
- Michael Rockland

**2. Statement of compliance with NJ Open Public Meetings Act (Sunshine Law) Acknowledged**

**3. Review of Minutes**

May minutes approved

**4. Open Public Portion (limited to 5 minutes per individual)**

Joe Attamante ([jrattamante@optonline.net](mailto:jrattamante@optonline.net)) of the Burnham Park Association (BPA) came to ask the STC to reverse their decision regarding treatment for the EAB (emerald ash borer) on two-three large Ash in Burnham Park. He read about a historic Ash being “saved” with EAB treatment in Madison and felt that there were some trees in the Burnham Park that had the same historic status. He talked with several experts about the treatment for the EAB and was told that there were no ill effects to the chemical Emamectin Benzoate used to treat an Ash Tree for the EAB.

**5. Arborist Report**

**Forester’s Report  
Town of Morristown  
May 2019**

**PLANTING**

- Cerbo’s Nursery and Greenhouse has rescheduled the planting to be completed during the first week of June.
- Met with Joel, Kevin and Kristin to go over final plans for Arbor Day Celebration at Pocahontas Park. Coordinated planting of trees with Tony Cerbo.
- Marked planting locations at Kellogg Club with Kristin

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- Met with Joel, Troy and Kevin to discuss uprooted tree on Longview.

- Discussed landscaping at Caldwell Park.

### FIELD INSPECTIONS/OBSERVATIONS

ADDRESS	COMPLAINT	OBSERVATIONS	ACTION
10 Hill St	Dangerous tree	Tree just needs to be trimmed	Pending
34 Franklin St	Dead Tree	Dead 8" plum to remove.	Closed
4 Tiffany Rd	2 new trees died.	2 Redbuds will be replaced.	Pending
15 & 17 Liberty	Want new trees	Put on future planting list (there is a small dead tree at this location which will have to be removed 8").	Pending
54 Elm	Wants new tree	Already on list for this spring's planting	Closed
87 & 93 Lidgerwood	Want new trees	One was planted, other will be planted in fall.	Closed and Pending
196 Mills	Declining tree	Declining maple should be removed (18")	Pending

### Field Work

- a. Spring Planting  
Planting is complete and gator bags will go on & be filled before the end of the week
- b. Mulch for town trees  
Rich will find out from Joel where we are in this process

### 6. Resident tree issues

- a. Cutler sign tree request  
We need to hold off on this until the fall planting
- b. Elliot Park Invasives  
Joel Rutkowski will have the DPW mow down the Japanese Knotweed for phase two.
- c. Kleitman Park Invasives  
**ACTION:** Sandi and Kristin will remove the species on 6.14
- d. GIGM - Grow it Green Morristown Community Garden  
A three leader 15 foot River Birch has been planted by R. Moore Tree Experts & Associates.
- e. Burnham Park Ash  
**ACTION:** the STC will go see the Ash in question before the July meeting

## 7. Tree Removals

- a. EAB- Ash Trees - schedule pending
- b. Speedwell Avenue

The markers came off of all the trees to be removed, but, the Tree Crew removed what was marked.

**ACTION:** Rich will mark the rest in need of removal

## 8. Partnerships

- a. Kellogg Club

4 Sargent Cherries were placed, but, the Amur Maackia were not available due to mismanagement at the growers where the trees died. However, Cerbo is has found a possible place to purchase them this spring and may be able to put them in within two weeks. If not, then they will go in during the fall planting.

- b. Rotary Club

Kristin met the Rotary Club for weeding and planting in front of Town Hall on Saturday 5.18 @8:00AM.

- c. Footes Pond Strike Team

Footes Pond would like to work with the STC as the invasive strike team.

- d. Tree Donation Process

Jillian asked the STC to create a simple process for people who want to donate trees to the town.

**ACTION:**

Sandi will create the form and present for voting in July

## 9. Awareness

- a. Tree Identification book –

**ACTION:**

Rich will give Kristin the addresses when the Spring Planting is done

- b. How to identify a hazard tree – Bob gave the STC a second draft and took notes on how to add more information.

**ACTION:**

He will bring back his work at our next meeting to discuss.

## 10. Grants

- a. TD Bank Grant

Phase 2 will be on Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00AM with a full clean up of the embankment and park. The embankment will also get mulched. The storm sewer receptacle will be painted brown to blend into the ground.

Invasive removal and bottom of embankment remediation will happen in July.

Team leaders for clean up

Kristin need 10 people for embankment clean up and mulch  
Bob needs 2 people to pick up recyclables and garbage  
Sandi needs 5 people to make stone river bed  
Deb needs 2 people to paint cistern

**ACTIONS:**

\*Kristin will reach out to Joel Rutkowski about mulch and lending of tools from DPW / bring cooler of ice, case of water bottles & two rolls of paper towels

\*Deb will bring two rolls of toilet paper

\*Sandi will bring one case of water bottles

\*Bob will bring a cooler of ice

**b. Green Communities Grant**

received \$3000.00 to create the CFMP (community forestry management plan) and must give \$3000.00 in kind hours. Rich Wolowicz has been approved by Jillian Barrick to create the plan with the STC

**11. Ordinance**

- a. **Bamboo** – pending
- b. **Private Tree** – pending

**ACTION:**

Kristin reach out to Jillian to find out status

**12. CEU Training**

The STC will met with Friends of Footes Pond on Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> for a successful tree identification class with Rich Wolowicz

**13. CFMP (community forestry management plan)**

The STC will meet twice in July (dates tbd) to formulate the new CFMP with Rich Wolowicz.

**ACTION:**

Kristin will set two meetings for the STC with Anthony Devizio and Joel Rutkowski to discuss our desire to partner with their departments in the next five years.

**14. General Business**

The STC will change our regularly scheduled October meeting (10.8) to October 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm in room 201 to accommodate the members in our group who celebrate Yom Kippur.

**New Business:**

**Assessing the invasive situation in town parks**

Elliot Park: Rich will discuss with Joel Rutkowski and Joe Curlo  
Jacobs Ford Park: Rich and Deb will assess before the end of June  
Kleitman Park: Sandi and Kristin will remove the barberry in on 6.  
Lidgerwood Park: Rich Wolowicz feels that there are no invasive issues

Pocahontas Park: Jersey Landscape will remove all invasives per the TD Green Space Grant  
Woodhull Park: Bob and Kristin will assess on 6.19

Adjourn 9:17pm