

DATE: August 8, 2017

7 pm

Room 201/ Town Hall

1. Roll Call

In attendance:

- Kristin Ace, Chair
- Deb Regan

Absent:

- Richard Wolowicz, Town Arborist
- Michael Rockland
- Judy Prendergast

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

Chair Kristin Ace cited compliance with the O.P.M.A.

3. Review of Minutes: July

July minutes were approved for posting

4. Public

No members of the public in attendance

Agenda Item 5: Arborist Report

- a. Modera trees - tabled
- b. Coal Ave parking lot-tabled
- c. CSIP- K to check in on Ralph Panei to see that all was sent out for bid
- d. Ash Removal – tabled
- e. Cheryl M. Wendt tree planting – Rich was given the location of the tree in Lidgerwood

Park to monitor

FORESTER'S REPORT

JULY 2017

EAB

- The presence of Emerald Ash Borer was confirmed to be in 4 locations in Morris County. The new discoveries are in Hanover Township, Morris Township, Chester and in either Roxbury or Randolph.
- I have been in communication with 2 different homeowners on Tiffany Rd since the block meeting.

FIELD INSPECTIONS

ADDRESS	INQUIRY	FINDINGS	STATUS
15.5 Grant St	Trim request	Low and broken limbs, added to spreadsheet	Pending
57 Franklin St	Dead new tree	Cerbo to replace	Pending
9-11-13 Speedwell Pl	Trim/elevation request	Trees need to be elevated	Pending
2 Franklin Pl	Low limbs	Oct glory to be elevated	Pending
108 James St	Trim request	Maple tree, not sure if on R-O-W (on Ogden)	Pending
69 Wetmore	Diseased tree	Oct glory has leaf spot, a fungus caused by cool damp spring, no action necessary	Closed
Cauldwell Playground	Limb fell in playground	Tree is ok, but needs thorough trim and to be inspected when climbing tree	Pending
21 Dogwood	Limbs on wire	No pressure on service wire, can wait until JCP&L trims	Closed
17 Cobb	Trim request	Limbs hitting house, to be trimmed	Pending

Agenda Item 6: Meeting with Mayor and Jillian Barrick

*Discussion on awareness ideas

*Clarified water expectations for tree gators: DPW does not go out in the rain, but, must fill the gators every two weeks REGARDLESS of rainfall. So if it rains on the scheduled watering day, they will delay until rain ends and still fill the bags in that scheduled week. Jillian agrees that bags get filled every two weeks regardless of rain

*Discussion of how best to communicate with Administration

*Full support from Mayor and Jillian Barrick on the STC’s continued progress and work with our urban canopy

*The STC presented Jillian Barrick with the new NJ specifications for all tree related work in NJ. The STC would like to support Troy from our tree crew to update and come into accordance with the new laws. We feel that having someone on our tree crew that is fully certified helps our arborist and also give our tree crew a deeper understanding of the new technologies and practices available with the training and CEU requirements. Jillian asked that we talk to Rich Wolowicz about what can be expected with the certification first.

ACTION: K will talk with Rich Wolowicz and report back to Jillian.

Agenda Item 7: Mulch Volcanoes

tabled

Agenda Item 8: How to recognize donors

Jillian Barrick approved the idea of a tree plaque. There will always be a press release and facebook announcement and it will be tailored to the donation

We are waiting for the information from the sisters who had the dogwoods donated in Tracy Park to make a press release

ACTION: Kristin to get quote on plaque and picture for September meeting

Agenda Item 9: EAB

- Town Resident Awareness Meeting – pending dates from Rich Wolowicz

Agenda Item 10: Ordinances

- Protection of Trees – Jillian Barrick to give to council for September meeting

Agenda Item 11: TD Green Streets Grant

- Brochure handouts –
Michael handed out the English Brochures for placement to:
King's
Rite Aid Pharmacy
The Creamery
Swiss Chalet Bakery
Ricciardi's paint store
Capitol Bank--but there only to the employees (they wouldn't put them out)
Morristown Cleaners
The Public Library
Anais Boutique
Strawberry Frozen Yogurt
Jersey Boy Bagels
Provident Bank
Starbucks (would only post--took several promising they would renew or replace if taken down)
The Committed Pig
The Famished Frog (they offered me refreshments--it was seriously hot)
Square Luggage
The Jury Box
The Artist Baker

Deb handed out the Spanish Brochures placement for to:

Sherwin Williams
Carniceria La Unica
Speedwell Liquors
La Peluqueria
Pan Pizza
St. Margaret Church

- Tree Handbooks - Kristin brought them to the Administration to be distributed to each school in the system

Agenda Item 12: Business District Tree Rejuvenation

Anthony Devizio is waiting to see if Waters and Buggbee can bring down the Flexipave installment price otherwise it will go out to bid with installment education as part of the requirements.

Ralph Panei to send out rfp that he will gets specs for from Rich Wolowicz

ACTION: Kristin check in with Ralph to see where it stands and see if he needs anything else

Tree enlargements still needed to be done along Washington Street

Agenda Item 13: Awareness

PENDING-Deb created a document to be sent out to all residents with eab & mulch brochure.

ACTION: Deb will send to Kristin who will forward to Kristen Wedderburn and Jillian Barrick for approval and distribution

- New Ideas
 - *Businesses getting HH trees to create a special food item to honor the tree using its characteristics
 - Jillian Barrick approves of this idea
 - ACTION:** K to schedule meeting with Jennifer Wehring
 - *Morristown Green.com to do awareness article about HH donation to businesses
 - Jillian Barrick approves of this idea
 - ACTION:** Deb to write article for September vote
 - *Ted Talk tree video
 - ACTION:** K to as Jillian if the town can post link
 - *Trees are not bike rack awareness poster to place at Committed Pig and Smartworld Coffee
 - Jillian Barrick approves this idea
 - ACTION:** K to set up meeting with Jennifer Wehring to discuss

ACTION: Deb to write article for voting in September

*posting line up of Arbor Day pictures from beginning to now and moving forward

ACTION: K reach out to Jillian for approval

Adjourn time: Meeting ended at 8:30 PM.