

**Borough of Doylestown  
Shade Tree Commission  
Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday June 11, 2019

**Location and Time:** Borough Hall Conference Room 6:30 PM

**Meeting Attendance:**

- *Shade Tree Commission:* Chris May, Judy Stratton, Baldev Lamba, Jim Resek
- *Borough Arborist:* Bob McMullin
- *Borough Staff Liaison to STC:* Dave Burger
- *Director of Building and Zoning:* Karyn Hyland
- *Landscape Development Applicants:* none
- *Permit Applicants:* none present.
- *Others:*

**Meeting Discussions:**

**1) Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

The minutes for the May 14, 2019 meeting were approved by a voice vote.

**2) Subdivision Plans and Land Development Waiver Applications:**

- a) None.

**3) Tree Removal Permit Applications:** The following permit applications were submitted to the Commission for approval.

- 1) 525 Linden Avenue – John & Marlene Foss, Property Owners. One Crab Apple tree was **approved** by a voice vote.
- 2) 135 E. State Street – Bucks County Bar Assoc., Property Owner. Eight Hemlocks, two Dogwoods, one Weeping Cherry, and one Silver Maple (12 total, all dead or dying) were **approved** by a voice vote.
- 3) 437 Linden Avenue – Gary Kindle, Property Owner. Two Holly were approved by a voice vote. One Honey Locust was **on hold** subject to site assessment and recommendation by Bob and discussion with Dave.
- 4) 278 E. Court Street – Scott Johnson, Property Owner. One Ash was **approved** by a voice vote. The Sycamore Maple on the permit application came down in the May 29<sup>th</sup> storm.
- 5) 532 Maple Avenue - Kathleen Caban, Property Owner. One Gray Beech was **approved** by a voice vote.
- 6) 547 Maple Avenue – Robert Sidelinker, Property Owner. One Pin Oak was **approved** by a voice vote.
- 7) 255 N. West Street – Jude Visconto, Property Owner. One White Pine was **approved** by a

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voice vote.

- 8) 12 Broadale Road – Louise Shorrock, Property Owner. One Silver Maple was *approved* by a voice vote.
  - 9) 80 N. Clinton Street – Kathryn Shively McKissock, Property Owner. One Magnolia, one Dogwood was put on *hold* subject discussion with property owner by Bob and Dave.
  - 10) 758 Stryker Avenue – Chris May, Property Owner. One Sassafras, and two Blue Spruce were *approved* by a voice vote.
  - 11) 238 East State Street *\*Note: this permit request was submitted after the meeting agenda was prepared. Need to add name of Property Owner.* Three Norway Spruces were *approved* by a voice vote.
- 4) **Old Business and Reports:**
- a) **Arborist's Report:** Bob presented the report of the month's activities..
  - b) **Spotted Lantern Fly Presentation:** The new tentative schedule for the presentation is June 26<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at Borough Hall. Bob will show a video prepared by Penn State and lead a discussion.
  - c) **Tree Planting:** Baldev asked Dave if large canopy trees could be added to the list of new trees to be planted this year.
- 5) **New Business:**
- a) **Storm Damage Report:** Dave reported on the May 29<sup>th</sup> storm damage in the Borough. This damage in the borough was extensive. In terms of tree damage and power line damage it was worse than Hurricane Sandy. Many streets were temporarily closed including East and West State Streets. Public Works, PECO, and private contractors worked for several days to remove trees and debris, repair power lines, and other property damage. The large Black Oak that came down in Doylestown Cemetery was estimated to be over 200 years old.
- 6) **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jim Resek, Secretary