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

Meeting Date: Tuesday November 12, 2019

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

Meeting Attendance:

- *Shade Tree Commission:* Judith Stratton, 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:*
 - #8. Sandy Ridge Twins Association: Clair Lightkep, Virginia Honer (residents); John Satriano (neighboring property)
 - #13. 77 W. Ashland: Craig Sweeny
 - #2. 699 Stryker: Karen Alexanderson
 - #4. Easthill Drive: Ian & Anna Kiernan
 - #1. 7 Orchard Lane: Earl Feldman
 - #6. Doylestown Cemetery: Jim Althouse
 - Emergency Permit. 33 Mercer Avenue: Mark Douple
- *Others:* Mayor Ron Strouse

Meeting Discussions:

Approval of Meeting Minutes: The minutes of the October 8, 2019 meeting were not approved. There was no quorum of Shade Tree Commissioners. October 8th minutes will need to be approved at the December meeting.

Subdivision Land Development:

1. 300 Spruce Street (corner of Spruce and North Streets) – Sub-Division – Doylestown Family Medicine

STC recommends requiring the applicant to plant two or three large canopy trees to replace the trees being removed. The replacement trees could be planted in the open area away from the overhead power lines.
2. 93 & 95 Wood Street (Hohlbad Alley) – Sub-Division – Lisa Povlow

Need to confirm the 24” Maple tree shown on the plan will be protected and remain. Confirm whether other trees shown on the plan “in poor health” are to be removed. Is there space for any new trees to be planted on either part of the subdivision?

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3. 333 N. Broad Street (site of former Intel offices)– LD Waiver – Calkins Media

The species of trees shown on the development plan needs to be revised. Bob suggested the Sycamores and Red Maples were a poor choice for the location, the American Beeches growth rate is far to slow. It would be better to diversify the species in long rows of trees so that if one species is harmed by a tree disease or harmful insect infestation, the entire row will not be lost. Dave said that he and Karryn will also get recommendations from Chris. (Post meeting note: Chris's recommendations can be discussed at a future Shade Tree Commission meeting when this development plan is reviewed again.

Tree Removal Permit Applications: Shade Tree Commission voted without a quorum to approve the following permit applications:

1. 7 Orchard Lane – Earl Feldman, Property Owner.
 - Two spruce, one Holly, one Maple. *Approved.*
2. 699 Stryker Avenue – Karin Alexanderson, Property Owners
 - One Curly Willow infested with Spotted Lantern Flies. *Approved.*
3. 440-442 Boro Mill Hill Road – Shan Lacaj, Property Owner
 - Five trees: two white pines, one pear, and two spruce. *Approved.*
4. 17 Easthill Drive – Jan Kiernan, Property Owner
 - Two Swamp Red Maple. *Approved.*
5. 454 East Street – Rita & Erich Lukas, Property Owners
 - Three Ash and two Silver Maples. *Approved.*
6. 215 E. Court Street – Doylestown Cemetery, Business Owner
 - One Pin Oak, One Sugar Maple, and One Black Oak. *Approved.*
7. 120 Hillendale Drive – Susan Jacques, Property Owner
 - Two Blue Spruce. *Approved.*
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8. Sandy Ridge - Sandy Ridge Twins Association, Property Owner
 - Eight Carolina Poplars. Permit will require replacement trees to be planted. *Approved.*
9. 7 Maple Lane – Steve Cotlar, Property Owner
 - Three Cedars. *Approved.*

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10. 29 S. Broad Street – Fred Beans, Property Owner
 - One Sugar Maple. *Approved.*

11. 825 N. Chubb Drive – Barry & Lyrea Hunsburger, Property Owners
 - Two White Pines and one Norway Spruce, *Approved.*

12. 388 W. Oakland Avenue – Robert Honeyman, Property Owner
 - One Maple. *Approved.*

13. 77 W. Ashland Street – Craig Sweeney, Property Owner
 - One Black Walnut. *Approved.*
 - This permit request included a second Black Walnut, but that tree is on the neighboring property,

Emergency Tree Removals:

1. Emergency Permit. 33 Mercer Avenue - Mark Douple Property Owner.
 - London Plane Tree. *Approved.*
 - Bob will make application for petit tomorrow,

Old/New Business and Reports: None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:55PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Resek , Secretary