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Borough of Doylestown Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday December 8, 2020

Location and Time: Zoom call, 6:30 PM

Attendance:

Shade Tree Commission: Chris May, Jim Resek, Carter VanDyke, Judy

Stratton, Baldev Lamba

Borough Arborist: Bob McMullin

Borough Staff Liaison: Dave Burger

Director of Building and Zoning: Karyn Hyland,

Land Development Applicants: Jason Duckworth, Jesse Forester, and Herb Hickmott for 288 N. Main Street. Kevin Kessner and Don Tracy for 333 N. Broad Street (former Intel site)

Tree Removal Permit Applicants: Monica Baxter (417 E. State Street, contractor), Thomas Cashnits (538 Maple Ave., property owner), Ross Owens (819 N. Chubb Dr., property owner), David and Jean Weston (122 E. Ashland St., property owner), Christina McKnight (18 McLaughlin Drive, property owner).

Others: Ron Strauss (Mayor), Wendy Margolis (Borough Council)

Approval of minutes: The Minutes of the November 10, 2020 meeting were approved as drafted.

Subdivision/Land Development:

1. 333 N. Broad Street, former Intelligencer building site (Van Cleef Engineering Associates LLC for Calkins Media) - The applicants explained the plan has been revised since it was last submitted to the Shade Tree

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Commission several month ago. The revised plan was discussed and STC members suggested several changes relating to trees and landscaping. Chris will draft a note summarizing these.

2. 228, 236, & 238 N. Main Street, Clear Springs Court (Arcadia at Doylestown Holdings 2, LLC, owner) - The applicants summarized the plan which includes condominiums and new homes on the site. Details of the plan were discussed and STC members made comments relating to tree species, location of trees and landscaping. Chris will prepare a note summarizing these.

Tree Removal Permit Applications:

- 1. 417 E. State Street, Min Kang, Property Owner. One Maple was Approved.
- 2. 180 Hillendale Drive, Katherine Shorr, Property Owner. One Norway Maple was *Approved*.
- 3. 504 Fonthill Drive, Fonthill Apartments, Property Owner. Three Ash, Two Silver Maple, One Swamp Red Maple, One Red Maple, Three Red Oak were *Approved with replacement conditions*. Dave will ask the property management company to attend the next STC meeting and to present a plan for planting replacement trees on the property.
- **4.** 539 Maple Avenue, Thomas Cashnits, Property Owner. One Japanese Maple was *Approved*.
- **5.** 819 N. Chubb Drive, Ross Owens, Property Owner. One Norway Maple was *Approved.*
- **6.** 122 E. Ashland Street, David & Jean Weston, Property Owner. One Black Cherry was *Approved*.
- **7.** 18 McLaughlin Drive, Christina Knight, Property Owner. One Cherry and one Pear were *Approved*.

Old/New Business:

1. Dave reported the Parotta tree from 99 Taifer Avenue, which was discussed at last month's STC meeting, will be moved to the new park or some other Borough site.

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- 2. Dave reported that he will present the results of the contracted tree inventory and the use of the tree keeper software to the Shade Tree Commission at the January STC meeting.
- 3. Dave reported that his planned meeting with John Davis and Phil Ehlinger to discuss tree grates for the center of town was postponed. He will give the Shade Tree Commission on report following that meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Resek, Secretary