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Borough of Doylestown
Shade Tree Commission
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday February 11, 2020

Location and Time: Borough Hall, 6;30 PM

Attendance:

Shade Tree Commission: Chris May, Judith Stratton, Baldev Lamba, Jim Resek

Borough Arborist: Bob McMullin

Borough Staff Liaison: Dave Burger

Director of Building and Zoning: Karyn Hyland

Land Development Applicants: Adam Goodman (318 N.Main Street, Property owner/developer)

Tree Removal Applicants: None present

Others: None

Meeting Discussions:

Approval of minutes :

1. Minutes of the October 8, 2019 meeting were approved as drafted.
2. Minutes of the January 14, 2020 meeting were approved as drafted.

- Subdivision/Land Developments:

- 1. 318 N. Main Street (Dairy Queen site) – Goodman Acquisitions 5, LLC – Land Development
 - Adam Goodman discussed the proposed land development plan to replace the Dairy Queen with a Chase Bank. The plan included a bank building, a drive through ATM on the north side of the lot, parking in front of the bank,

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and street trees between the parking area and Main Street. The wooded back part of the lot will not be changed.

- Baldev asked if the drainage device which was shown between the back of the parking area pavement and the wooded area at the back of the lot could be within the building area so that the trees in the wooded area would not be impacted. Chris discussed possible grading of the parking area around the island by the ATM drive-in to collect water for the trees.
- Chris commented that the proposed tree species looked to be in compliance with the native tree species requirement for land developments. There was some discussion about the tree replacement caliper required, which Karyn said she would address. Chris will prepare a memo for Karyn with comments.

- **Tree Removal Permit Applications:**

- 1. 197 W. Court Street – Chuck Arkell, Property Owner. One Bradford Pear, **Approved.**
- 2. 9 Kershaw Avenue – Linda Cooper, Executrix to Property Owner. Two Blue Spruce, **Approved** with the requirement to plant a replacement shade tree.
- 3. 176 Green Street – Gail Linenberg, Property Owner. One Norway Maple. **Approved;** Borough to address possible property line issues.
- 4. 99 Homestead Drive – John Pappas, Property Owner. Two Ash. **Approved.**
- 5. 2 Trellis Path/Clemens Road – Trellis Path HOA, Property Owner. Trees **Hold; trees to be ribboned by property owner and reviewed at next month's Shade Tree Meeting.**

Old/New Business:

1. **Tree Planting:** Dave reported that new tree pits are being created for some of the trees in the center of town.
2. **Arbor Day:** At the January meeting Dave had asked for recommendations for tree species based on availability at the nurseries normally used by the Borough for Arbor Day trees. The list of available species from one of the nurseries was discussed by Chris. The following species were recommended: Serviceberry, Cronus Florida (flowering dogwood), Persimmon, and Tupelo. Backups include: Hackberry, Redbud, Bald Cypress, Red Cedar, and Linden or Basswood.

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- 3. Forest Fragment:** A draft memo prepared by Chris was distributed and briefly commented on. It was suggested that the Mission Statement should be narrowed to one or two key statements. Karyn will send a copy of the draft to all STC members. Everyone was asked to provide suggestions by the next meeting.
- 4. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Resek

Secretary