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Borough of Doylestown Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Wednesday October 17, 2018

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:* not present
- *Borough Staff Liaison to STC:* Dave Burger
- *Director of Building and Zoning:* Karyn Hyland (until 7 PM)
- *Landscape Development Applicants:* none present
- *Permit Applicants:* Chris Shaw (for 61 N. Church St.), Gary Kindle (437 Linden St.)
- *Others:* Ron Straus, Mayor (until 7 PM)

Meeting Discussions:

1) Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes:

- The meeting minutes for July 18, 2018, August 15, 2018, and September 26 were approved.

2) Subdivision Plans and Land Development Waiver Applications:

- a) 425 S. Main Street, Wawa / LD Waiver
- b) Provco Pinegood Doylestown South, LLC. Property owner
- c) Chris prepared a draft memo with comments on the plan. It was discussed, and a motion was made and agreed upon to send the memo to Karyn.

3) Tree Removal Permit Applications:

- 1) 9 Walton Avenue - Jeff & Andrea Huffman, Property Owner
 - Two Red Oaks. **Approved** by a voice vote.
 - One Dogwood. **Denied** by a voice vote. This tree should remain.
- 2) 431 Belmont Avenue - Robert Cosner, Property Owner
 - One Ash. **Approved** by a voice vote.
- 3) 61 N. Church Street - Wilhelmine Shaw, Property Owner
 - One Purple Beech. **Approved**, by a voice vote.
- 4) 121 Shewell Avenue - Daniel Loss, Property Owner
 - One Ornamental Cherry. **Approved**, by a voice vote.
- 5) 747 Stryker Avenue - Kathryn Hicks, Property Owner
 - One Blue Spruce. **Approved**, by a voice vote.
- 6) 108 Sandy Ridge Drive - Lucy & Carlo Grilletto
 - One Ash. **Approved**, by a voice vote.

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- 7) 437 Linden Avenue - Gary & Mary Kindle, Property Owner
 - Two Norway Spruce. *Approved*, by a voice vote; however, also note on the permit that the Shade Tree Commission recommends keeping both of these trees.
- 8) 197 Union Street - Marguerite Ambrose, Property Owner
 - One Mulberry. *Approved*, by a voice vote.

4) Old Business and Reports:

- a) **Large Ash Tree near 145 E. Oakland.** Dave asked for discussion on this tree. The tree is in poor condition. Two options were discussed. Option #1 would be to prune the tree and add cabling to hold it together. Option #2 would be to remove the tree. Chris recommended removing the tree. The Commission agreed that the best option was to remove the tree.

The Borough will restore the area after the tree is removed and possibly plant another tree.

b) Tree Planting.

Dave reported a total of 15 trees have been planted by the Borough this year, including 6 trees this week on Linden Avenue (4 trees) and W. Oakland Avenue (1 London Plane and 1 Dogwood).

c) New Sites for Tree Planting.

Dave asked the Commission to identify sites for new trees. Everyone will be assigned one or more Leaf Collection Areas. At least five tree sites should be identified in each. The location should include; the address and an indication of approximately where the tree should be located on the property and whether the location is between curb and the sidewalk or in the yard.

Chris made the following assignments: Area #1- Carter; Area #2- Bob; Area #3-Jim & Chris; Area #4- Judy & Carter; Area #5- Baldev & Chris

5) New Business

- a) None.

- 6) **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Resek, Secretary