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Borough of Doylestown Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday November 8, 2022

Location and Time: Borough Hall, 10 Doyle Street, 6:30 PM

Attendance:

Shade Tree Commission: Judith Stratton, Jim Resek, and Baldev Lamba

Borough Arborist: Bob McMullin

Director of Parks and Recreation: Dave Burger

Director of Building and Zoning: Karyn Hyland

Subdivision and Land Development Applicants: None

Tree Removal Permit Applicants: Geoffrey and Polly Graham for #17, 239 Union Street. Charles Callaghan for #3, 73 E. Ashland

Tree Permit Applicants Attending on Zoom: Mark Gellis Chelsea Management for #1, Oak Garden Apartments, 355 North Street

Others: None

Call to Order: Judith called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting were *approved*.

Subdivision and Land Development: None

Tree Removal Permit Applications: All permits except #1, #3, #10, and #17 were approved as a group.

1. 355 North Street, Oak Gardens Apartments, Property OwnerTwo (2) Oaks. ***Approved with the following requests and conditions;***

1. ***The Shade Tree Commission requests the Oak trees not be removed. If the sewer pipes are cleared and fixed, tree roots should not be a problem. The Oak trees are healthy and enhance the property. It would***

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likely be a significant loss to the residents buildings if they were removed.

- 2. The property manager meets with Borough Staff to present and discuss a landscape plan for Oak Garden Apartments which includes replacement trees for the ones that have been removed.***

2. 271 Belmont Avenue, J. Kurt Spence, Property Owner. One (1) Dogwood. ***Approved.***
3. 73 E. Ashland Street, Charles Callaghan, Property Owner. One (1) Honeylocust and one (1) Black Locust. ***Approved.***
4. 60 N. Main Street, C&N Bank, Property Owner. One (1) Oak. ***Approved.***
5. 114 Harvey Avenue, Geraldine Dougherty, Property Owner. One (1) Sugar Maple. ***Approved.***
6. 63 Meadow Lane, Anita Camera, Property Owner. Two (2) Oaks. ***Approved.***
7. 38 Taylor Avenue, Craig & Rebecca Pacelli, Property Owners. One (1) Maple. ***Approved.***
8. 72 Mercer Avenue, Pam & Bob Byers, Property Owners. One (1) Pin Oak and one (1) Birch. ***Approved.***
9. 4 Trellis Path, Martin & Jennifer Behm, Property Owners. One (1) Dawn Redwood. ***Approved.***
10. 571 Maple Avenue, Alan & Pamela Whalen, Property Owners. Four Norway Maples. ***Approved with the request to consider keeping the tree furthest from the house and to plant replacements for the trees removed.***
11. 128 McConnell Street, Neil Hartman, Property Owner. One (1) Maple. ***Approved.***
12. 3 Belmont Square, Shirley Drewen, Property Owner. One (1) Oak. ***Approved.***

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13. 86 East Street, Michael Boylin, Property Owner. One (1) Black Walnut. ***Approved.***
14. 289 Union Street, Charles Lang, Property Owner. . One (1) Norway Spruce. ***Approved.***
15. 200 Spruce Street, Spruce Court Apartments, Property Owner. One (1) Ash. ***Approved.***
16. 150 Selner Lane, Spruce Court Apartments, Property Owner. One (1) . One (1) Ash. ***Approved.***
17. 239 Union Street, Geoffrey & Polly Graham, Property Owners. One (1) Pin Oak. ***Approved.***
18. 45 Belmont Square, Paul & Karen Cross, Property Owners. . One (1) Red Maple. ***Approved.***
19. Lantern Hill Properties Common Ground Area, Lantern Hill, Property Owner. Four (4) Black Walnuts and four (4) Cherries. ***Approved.***
20. 63 E. Ashland Street, Judith McLaughlin, Property Owner. . One (1) Honeylocust. ***Approved.***

Old/New Business and Reports: .

- 1. Doylestown Borough Comprehensive Plan Update:** Karyn and Judith reported the final date to complete the resident survey is tomorrow.
- 2. Arborist and Borough Tree Report:**
 - a.** Bob reported the Broad Commons Park trees did very well during this year's drought.
 - b.** Dave reported additional trees will be planted on the the Broad Street Commons park including Hawthorne, Crab Apple, Cherry, and Holly trees. Also Bucks Beautiful bulbs will be planted.
 - c.** Dave reported new trees were planted on East Court Street, Franklin Street (two (2) Armstrong Maples), and Green & Maple Streets (Cherry tree).

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- d. Dave requested Arbor Day Giveaway tree species recommendations for the December meeting so that he can put the order in. Jim said he has had great success in his yard with a Redbud and Serviceberry from past Arbor Days and recommended they be ordered again. Dave said they they have had to remove Redbuds that were planted by residents between the sidewalk and the curb. It was agreed that these are not good street trees and residents should be told not to plant them in the yard not on between the sidewalk and the street.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM

Respectfully submitted, Jim Resek, Secretary

Next Shade Tree Commission meeting is Tuesday December 13, 2022.