

BOROUGH OF SHREWSBURY

SHADE TREE COMMISSION



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MEETING AGENDA

February 9, 2008 – 8:30 a.m.

Borough Municipal Hall
419 Sycamore Avenue
Shrewsbury, New Jersey

- I. Announcement of Meeting
- II. Salute to the Flag
- III. Presiding Officer's Statement
- IV. Roll Call
- V. Announcements
- VI. Correspondence
- VII. New and Unfinished Business
 - A. Tree City Applications
 - B. Boro Hall Tree Work
 - C. Invoice
 - D. Facilities Committee Meeting at SBS (2/12/08)
 - E. Green Communities Grant
 - F. Core Training Date
- VIII. Planning/Zoning Board Site Plans
- IX. Adjournment – next meeting, 3/8/08

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Minutes of Regular Meeting
Shrewsbury Shade Tree Commission (STC)
Saturday, January 19, 2008
Municipal Hall, Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, New Jersey

Present

Nancy Schmaltz, Chairperson
Susan Berdahl
Dianne Crilly
Ellen Preissler
Gordon Ogden
Don Burden (Council Liaison)
Hermann Allen, Environmental Commission

Absent

Miles Svikhart
Katherine Wilson

Chairman Schmaltz began the meeting at 8:45a.m. by reading the Pledge of Allegiance and reading the Presiding Officer's statement in compliance with P. L. 1975 c. 231, the Open Public Meetings Act. Roll call was taken by secretary, Susan Milnes.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER'S MEETINGS

Mrs. Crilly made a motion to approve November's meeting minutes, Mrs. Preissler seconded the motion. Mrs. Berdahl made a motion to approve December's meeting minutes, Mr. Ogden seconded the motion.

II. CORRESPONDANCE

- Mrs. Milnes distributed 2008 STC roster. Two corrections were noted; changes will be made and updated roster will be forwarded to STC members, as well as Borough Clerk.
- Mrs. Schmaltz received call from builder working on a property on Newman Springs Rd. asking for plant list. STC does not have plant list but Mrs. Schmaltz recommended he stay away from plants on NJ's invasive list.
- Mrs. Schmaltz shared two thank yous from borough residents Doug Milnes and Trudy Von Hemming who were most appreciative of their newly planted trees. While on the subject of tree plantings, Mr. Burden suggested STC plant trees on bank properties at

corners of Shrewsbury and Sycamore Ave.'s. He feels properties are sorely in need of street trees.

- Literature and Monmouth County Newsletter were passed around, as well as a book, Trees for New Jersey Streets that has informative descriptions and excellent drawings of NJ street trees.

III. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Shrewsbury Borough School** – On Feb. 12, 2008, Mrs. Schmaltz will meet with Bd. of Ed. member Kelly Kuchinski and School Administrator Debbie Avento to discuss planting trees along Obre Pl. STC members are encouraged to attend meeting.
- B. Green Communities Grant** - Mrs. Schmaltz shared letter informing STC of approval of grant request. \$3000. will be given to STC by NJ DEP's Forest Service, and \$1500. will come from borough to hire a qualified expert to assist borough in developing a Community Forestry Plan. Next step in process will be a grant agreement between STC and NJ DEP.
- C. Tree Dedication** - Discussion continued on plans for tree dedication at Borough Hall. Boy Scouts are looking for an Eagle Scout project, in this case, obtaining benches and placing names of people who have trees dedicated to them on back of bench. There is concern that this alone is not a big enough project.
- D. Arbor Day** - STC will ask SBS if they are planning anything for April 25th. STC will run plans we have by school with intent of working together in celebrating this important day.
- E. Computer/Electronic Recycling Day** – Environmental Commission is coordinating annual event on Sat., April 26th. EC hopes to incorporate a “fair” feel by having booths and demonstrations, all with an environmental theme. Would STC like to participate in same way as “Community Day?”
- F. Shadowbrook Restaurant** – Mrs. Preissler reported that owner has taken down a swath of trees between his property and neighbors on Spruce Drive. Work has stopped and a fine was issued.
- G. Reorganization** – Vote was taken and unanimously approved to keep meetings on second Saturday of each month, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Mrs. Milnes will forward meeting dates and time to legal ads of Asbury Park Press and Two River Times newspapers.

IV. Adjournment

Mrs. Crilly made a motion to adjourn meeting at 9:45 a.m. Mrs. Berdahl seconded motion.

V. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 9, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. in the Municipal Center.

Susan Milnes, Secretary