

# BOROUGH OF SHREWSBURY

## SHADE TREE COMMISSION



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Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Shrewsbury Shade Tree Commission (STC)  
Saturday, May 16, 2009  
Municipal Hall, Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, New Jersey

### Present

Nancy Schmaltz, Chairperson  
Dianne Crilly  
Ellen Preissler  
Katherine Wilson  
Hermann Allen, Environmental Commission

### Absent

Susan Berdahl  
Gordon Ogden  
Miles Svikhart  
Don Burden (Council Liaison)

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

### I. CORRESPONDANCE

- Mr. Allen passed out APP article dated 5/14/09 entitled "Justices OK Tree Clearing Fee in Jackson." Article will be discussed at June's meeting.
- Mrs. Schmaltz read thank you letter from EC's Susan Binns for STC's participation in Computer and Electronic Recycling Day.
- Mrs. Schmaltz shared Arbor Day Proclamation from Mayor and Council.
- Membership form and payment to NJ Shade Tree Federation is due. Mrs. Milnes will prepare paperwork.
- Children's book from Davey Tree Expert was received and will be donated to SBS.

### II. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Tree City, USA** - Mrs. Schmaltz received material related to Tree City, USA award which she will distribute accordingly. STC will be acknowledged by Mayor and Council at June council meeting.  
**Action:** Mrs. Milnes will request STC be placed on Council agenda.
- B. Newsletter** - Shrewsbury Community Newsletter article due to Izzy Grieco on June 10<sup>th</sup>.  
**Action:** Mrs. Preissler will submit article on tree pruning.
- C. Bond Release Request (Brokers 3)** – Owner Judy Martelli asked Mrs. Schmaltz to release bond, Mrs. Schmaltz will ask her to put it in writing.

- D. New Member** – Mrs. Schmaltz will forward name of perspective member (Mr. Stephen Skop) to Mr. Burden.
- E. Information Display at Boro Hall** – Mrs. Schmaltz would like relevant tree information be placed in key spots throughout boro, i.e. Boro Hall, Monmouth County Library, boro website, and handed out with each shade tree.
- F. Green Communities Grant** – To be discussed next month.
- G. Request for Trees** – To be discussed in more detail next month.
- H. Grove West** – Vegetable garden managed by surrounding area school children is flourishing. STC is disappointed that SBS students are not participating.
- I. Library Trees** – Two out of seven trees recently planted are alive. Mrs. Schmaltz will write letter to county requesting replacement of dead trees.

### **III. PLANNING/ZONING BOARDS**

- A. Walgreen's** – It appears new plans are same as previous plan, and does not incorporate STC's recommendations from 10/2007. Mrs. Schmaltz will write letter to PB.
- B. Montessori Academy** – STC is happy to see rain garden, but will discourage planting of butterfly bush and other non-native plants.

### **IV. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2009 at 8:30a.m.in the Municipal Center.

Susan Milnes, Secretary