

BOROUGH OF SHREWSBURY

SHADE TREE COMMISSION



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MEETING AGENDA

August 18, 2007 –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. Review of Minutes from June 9, 2007 meeting
- VI. Announcements
- VII. Correspondence
- VIII. New and Unfinished Business
 - A. Newsletter Deadline
 - B. Growth Award Ideas
 - C. Trimming Permits
 - D. Budget
 - E. Fall Tree Planting
- IX. Planning/Zoning Board Site Plans – Martelli at Rosewood
- X. Adjournment – next meeting, 9/9/07

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Minutes of Regular Meeting
Shrewsbury Shade Tree Commission (STC)
Saturday, June 9, 2007
Municipal Hall, Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, New Jersey

Present

Nancy Schmaltz, Chairperson
Miles Svihart
Don Burden (Council Liaison)
Hermann Allen, Environmental Commission

Absent

Susan Berdahl
Dianne Crilly
Gordon Ogden
Ellen Preissler
Katherine Wilson

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Due to lack of quorum, Chairman Schmaltz began workshop meeting at 8:36 a.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY'S MEETING

Minutes will be reviewed for approval at subsequent meeting although following corrections were noted; Section II – correct address is 92 West End Ave., not 91. Section III, “C” – Mrs. Crilly **had already** submitted an article to Community Newsletter. Section III, “H” (“Detail Doctor” site) – Mrs. Schmaltz also gave approval to remove 2 additional trees and add 2 magnolias.

II. CORRESPONDANCE

- Mrs. Schmaltz passed around booklet entitled “Shrubs and Vines of New Jersey and Mid-Atlantic States.” Booklet was prepared by NJ’s DEP, Division of Parks and Forestry and features the Forest Resource Education Center in Jackson.
- American Chestnut Foundation will conduct a meeting at the Middletown Public Library to discuss efforts to bring back tree, several of which surround library.
- Gypsy moth article in June 9’s Asbury Park Press was discussed.
- Mrs. Schmaltz received a letter from resident Martha Maloney inquiring why only male trees are planted which, according to Ms. Maloney, produce pollen. She feels female trees should be planted since they absorb pollen. Mrs. Schmaltz will prepare letter acknowledging Ms. Maloney’s concerns and will take them into consideration.
- Mrs. Schmaltz asked Mrs. Milnes to make copies of “Tree City USA” growth award ideas. Mrs. Schmaltz would like STC members to discuss ideas at next meeting in order to keep our momentum going.
- Mrs. Schmaltz received notice that permits have been issued for tree trimming on Samara Drive and Birch Drive. She will get in touch with Scott from JCP&L for exact work

order since STC isn't sure what is left for JCP&L to trim since they did an extensive job several years ago. Will they be trimming on railroad side or street side?

III. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Mrs. Schmaltz reported STC has been budgeted \$9500.00 for 2007. To date, replacement trees have been planted on borough's property along Beechtree Rd. Also, sycamore trees which were recently planted on Municipal Complex were moved back from roadway. Additional plantings will resume in the fall, particularly trees at the firehouse.
- B. Martelli at Rosewood – Developer is requesting their bond money be freed. As stated in letter to developer dated 12/5/06, STC has concerns regarding white pines planted in back, and sycamores planted not as per site plan. STC has not received response to letter.
- C. There was discussion about whether county STC will plant replacement trees on a presumed county road within borough (specifically, Patterson Ave.). Mrs. Schmaltz will investigate.

IV. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 14, 2007 at 8:30 a.m. in the Municipal Center.

Susan Milnes, Secretary