

## Shade Tree Commission Minutes & Recommendations to Council

8/15/17 7:00-8:00pm Community Center

Attended: Christian Lee, Carolyn Broullon, Nancy Messina, Nancy Valinoti

Absent: Chris Francy

### Items & Actions

- [ **Planting** – Request permission from Council & BA to plant 2 trees in grassy area near PD parking lot [between Shore Dr and S2nd St]. Rough cost of 2 trees is \$100-\$200. Shade Tree Commission budget for 2017 is \$900. Promote this action and start a sponsor a Shade Tree program. We will work with Communication Committee. Program to be discussed further.
- [ **Sprinkler Ordinance** – Brian C continuing to work with Dave, Paul & Dale.
- [ **NJFS Urban and Community Forestry Program** – Another possible Joint Action with the EC and Green Team, already sent to them and Council. Links here:  
[http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/forest/community/pdf\\_files/community\\_forestry\\_management\\_plan\\_guidelines.pdf](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/forest/community/pdf_files/community_forestry_management_plan_guidelines.pdf)  
[http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/forest/community/Information\\_for\\_Municipalities.html](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/forest/community/Information_for_Municipalities.html) Christian has maintained contact with them.
- [ **Tree Maintenance** –
  - o Christian worked with Mark to find \$2,000 in the DPW budget earmarked for tree maintenance. Christian detailed the work list for Mike Hufnagel and he came to town perform work needed at Huddy and Vets parks.
  - o While DPW has a line item of \$2,000 for tree maintenance, the STC is asking Council to raise that amount to \$5,000 in 2018 as there are a great deal of older trees in the Borough that need attention.
  - o The BOE will contract a tree expert to remove the dangerous tree at HES.
  - o Monmouth Country STC told Christian the ropes around the new Bay Ave trees need to come off. They told him they would do so at no cost to the Borough. They also offered to help us get sapplings for the tree pits with no trees, mainly in "gap" from Streetscape 2. Some tree pits have no grates. Do we have at DPW yard?
- [ **Garden Club Spring Sale** – Garden Club VP [Nancy Messina] and Treasurer [Mary-Margaret Kurta] discussed the possibility of STC joining to sell sapplings of suitable NJ native shade trees.
- [ **Ederle Park** – Flag Pole & light for flag both broken and need to be fixed. While the park is owned by NJ State, it is listed in our Open Space inventory.

### Follow-up

Christian – Continue to work with DPW and outside vendors to maintain Boro trees. Also continue discussions with the County STC & explore help they can lend in shared services.

Nancy M – Meet with Littoral Society for input on trees on Slope/around town, coordinate action at HES as noted above.

Carolyn – Follow up with Brian C Sprinkler Ordinance, work with QPA for a PO to purchase trees

### For 9/19 Meeting:

Review items above

Address new business