

Shade Tree Commission Minutes & Recommendations to Council
2/21/17 7:00-8:00pm Community Center
Attended: Christian, Nancy V, Chris, Carolyn
Absent: Arnie, Nancy M

Items discussed

- **Sprinkler Ordinance** – why do we have this Ordinance banning sprinklers? Will ask Brian C to work with Dave, Paul & Dale.
- **Locust Trees** – Need to concentrate on cutting these down, perhaps Boro can cut up and sell the firewood.
- **Joint action** – Green Team is submitting a \$20,000 grant for an “Innovative Community Project” entitled Steep Slope Stabilization through Planting Proper Vegetation as an Earth Day Initiative in conjunction with an arborist, Shade Tree, EC and Communications committees. Sloop now is covered in invasive ivy and locust trees among other non-native vegetation. Christian will follow up with local arborists to get costs for this and ongoing maintenance of our trees. Perhaps a yearly contract? He will explore further once we get prices.
- **Leaves/Brush** – Can we increase the number of pick up during growing season?
- **Tree Trimming** – Is the town under any liability for trimming after the fact if a tree falls? CB will followup with Brian C.

Actions & Follow-up

Christian – Speak with arborists.

Carolyn – Follow up with Brian C on items above. Keep EC and other committees involved in the Joint Action for Earth Day.

For 3/21 Meeting:

By-laws to be approved

Committee Officers to be elected: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary

Review items above

Address new business