

TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE

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MINUTES

Lawrence Township Shade Tree Advisory Committee

August 27, 2012

Members Present: Carmine Di Sanzo, Judy Bubar, Janet Kane, Doris Weisberg and Edward Sproles.

Members Absent: Rosemarie Clark

Others Present: Andrew Link, Staff Liaison

Chairman Di Sanzo convened the meeting at 7:05 PM.

- The July 2012 minutes were approved.
- The Committee reviewed the Princeton Junior School's request to retain their previously approved modular classroom. There were no comments.
- The Committee reviewed the 3175 Princeton Pike, LLC proposal to expand their parking area. They will propose that two trees be added to the plan to replace the one being removed.
- There were no comments on the revised Lawrenceville Associates plans.
- Janet Kane will not be able to be present at the October 25 presentation at the Library. She will have the power point presentation ready for the September meeting. The Committee intends to move forward with the October 25 date. The Committee also intends to repeat the presentation at the Senior Center.
- The presentation will be called "Trees Around Town". Chairman Di Sanzo would like to add something specific to grab attention. Ed Sproles said this can be done through a subtitle. Ms. Kane suggested "Amazing Trees Around Town".
- The points in the presentation will be:
 - Information on the Committee.
 - Benefits of trees.
 - Pictures of Township trees to illustrate benefits.
 - Things to consider if you want to plant a tree.
- Doris Weisberg proposed offering van tours of trees if there is an interest.
- Chairman Di Sanzo proposed some changes to the Committee brochure. He will give the changes to Andrew Link to have incorporated in time for Community Day.
- Chairman Di Sanzo will purchase a bonsai tree to give away at Community Day. Memorial trees will be highlighted at the event.

- There was agreement to accept the tree ordinance as it is for the time being and to monitor its enforcement. The Committee will continue to make people aware of the regulations although Chairman Di Sanzo said that it may be better if property owners do not know they may remove five trees each year.
- Ms. Weisberg said that we should try again to get information on trees into the Township calendar.
- The Township is preparing to hire Steve Chisholm to prepare the third five-year Community Forestry Management Plan. The Committee's input will be needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Andrew Link
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