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MINUTES

Lawrence Township Shade Tree Advisory Committee

July 23, 2012

Members Present: Carmine Di Sanzo, Rosemarie Clark,
Janet Kane. Judy Bubar, Edward Sproles
Members Absent: Doris Weisberg
Others Present: Councilman Michael Powers.
Others Absent: Andrew Link, Staff Liaison

Chairman Di Sanzo convened the meeting at 7:15 PM.

- The April minutes were approved.
- The presentation on the functions of the Shade Tree Advisory Committee and on the care and value of trees has been scheduled at the Mercer county library for October 25, 2012 at 7 PM. The presentation should last 20 minutes to leave time for questions. Ms. Kane will be working on a power point presentation. Chairman Di Sanzo offered help if requested. The title of the presentation has not yet been determined yet and anyone has been asked to formulate a title that the will be selected. Chairman Di Sanzo suggested that the presentation be advertised in the local press and that posters, illustrating various aspects of tree planting, growth and maintenance, be shown at the library for a week before the presentation. Ms. Kane will check with the library if a permission for exhibiting tree posters can be obtained,
- Education efforts for Lawrence residents have been discussed. There is a need to involve local press and to develop additional educational material. The existing brochure will be revised to provide additional information.
- Planning for Community Day was also discussed and the Committee agreed once again to give away a bonsai plant .The latter initiative appeared to attract attention in previous years.
- It was noted that the memorial tree program did not make much progress. It appears that there is a need to further advertise the initiative. Mr., Sproles suggested revising the registration form for the bonsai plant give away to include the availability of the memorial tree initiative.

- The Committee still sees the need to revise the Tree Ordinance to help preserve trees. At present, education efforts may be able to stimulate preservation. The Committee reviewed “The Green Building and Environmental Sustainability Element of the Master Plan” to see if it addressed tree preservation. The consensus was that tree preservation was not addressed,
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carmine Di Sanzo, Chairman