

TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE

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MINUTES

Lawrence Township Shade Tree Advisory Committee

October 27, 2014

Members Present: Carmine Di Sanzo, Edward Sproles Judy Bubar, David Bosted, and Doris Weisberg.
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Chris Waaben, John Waaben, Nick Bosted, and Andrew Link, Staff Liaison

Chairman Di Sanzo convened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

- The 2014 September minutes were approved.
- The 2015 meeting schedule was approved.
- John Waaben gave an update on his Eagle Scout project. Mr. Waaben said that the planting holes have been dug on the Dyson Trust property. They had about twenty scouts participating. The soil contains a lot of clay and the holes have filled with water from a recent rain.
- Mr. Waaben asked if the Township can deliver more compost and mulch. Andrew Link will take care of it.
- David Bosted said that the trees could be “mud planted” with the water remaining in the holes. He said that the water is moving horizontally and that Metasequoia are adapted to wet sites.
- Mr. Waaben asked if the Township can provide watering bags. Chairman Di Sanzo said that he will donate the bags.
- Mr. Waaben asked if a photo opportunity can be arranged. Doris Weisberg said to notify Mr. Link with the details and he will see if it can be arranged through Councilman Powers to have Council members present.
- Mr. Waaben said that a bench is still under consideration. Mr. Link asking for information on the bench if they wish to move forward. Several Committee members noted that there has be vandalism to benches in some of the parks.
- The Committee reviewed the Major Subdivision Application No. S-2/07 for James G. McGuire & Hugh F. Maguire (Mabel Mews). The Committee tabled the discussion until they have a chance to visit the site.

- The Committee reviewed the Preliminary/Final Major Site Plan Application No. SP-5/14 Porsche of Princeton. Ms. Weisberg recused herself because her daughter works for the applicant's law firm. The comments will request tree planting in the available beds around the perimeter of the property.
- Chairman Di Sanzo said that he identified opportunities to plant forty trees along Rt. 206 from Darrah Lane to Harney's Corner. Ed Sproles agree to accompany Chairman Di Sanzo to firm up the planting locations. Mr. Link will see if the Township has anything that can be used as a base map.
- Chairman Di Sanzo will work on topics for a spring newsletter.
- Chairman Di Sanzo said that a tree planting demonstration could be done as part of Arbor Day. Mr. Bosted said it could also be part of an Eagle Scout project.
- The van tour route could be laid out during the winter.
- Ms. Weisberg and Judy Bubar reported that the Community Day table received a lot of interest.
- Chairman Di Sanzo will see if there are volunteers available to conduct a tree inventory.
- Mr. Bosted said that September or October next year would be a good time to conduct the Society Hill mature tree planting walk.
- Chairman Di Sanzo would like to make a request to Bristol-Meyers Squibb to replace the trees being removed to reconfigure Princeton Pike.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Andrew Link
Principal Planner