

TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE

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MINUTES

Lawrence Township Shade Tree Advisory Committee

November 23, 2015

Members Present: Carmine Di Sanzo, David Bosted, Judy Bubar, and Doris Weisberg
Members Absent: Sheila Grant Edward Sproles
Others Present: Andrew Link, Staff Liaison

Chairman Di Sanzo convened the meeting at 7:18 PM.

- October minutes were approved as amended. David Bosted asked for his written comments on the proposed Roxboro Road Park that he said he made at the last meeting to be incorporated. Doris Weisberg commented that the owner of the property went through the Planning Board process and addressed all the concerns of the Board. She asked how the property would be acquired and that the owner should be allowed to build. Chairman Di Sanzo said that he would not be prevented from building but the park presented another option. Ms. Weisberg said that the neighbors did come to the Planning Board and ask that the plan not be built. Mr. Bosted said that in time the rest of the community would come to see the value of a park as they did with the Nature Center and Drexel Woods. Judy Bubar said she thought a “neighborhood green space” would be a wise use of the site. The Committee agreed to include Mr. Bosted’s comments.
- The 2016 meeting schedule was approved as amended.
- Chairman Di Sanzo said that he will call Florence Wyckoff and respond to her letter. He will tell her the Committee is looking into it.
- Chairman Di Sanzo reviewed the Community Forestry Management Plan and said that for the most part we are meeting the goals. He suggested having a link on the website to the Plan, keeping a list of trees planted, and identifying hazardous trees. He said that the Plan seems to differ from the ordinance in being less permissive of removals.
- Chairman Di Sanzo submitted a map marked up to show possible locations for street trees on Route 206 with the goal of asking the State to replant.
- Chairman Di Sanzo asked about ways to get publicity. Mr. Bosted said that he has had success having things printed in the GEPNA newsletter. Ms. Weisberg said that the Trentonian is better for local news than the Trenton Times. Mr. Bosted said that Arbor Day is the main chance to get press. The van tour would also be an opportunity.
- Chairman Di Sanzo said he was continuing his research into tree ordinances. He would

like to see smaller trees protected. Mr. Bosted said he would prepare a draft.

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- Mr. Bosted talked about a program of pre-digging holes into which balled and burlap Christmas trees would be placed after the holidays.
- Mr. Bosted said the trees at Maidenhead Meadows are doing well at present.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Andrew Link
Principal Planner