

Minutes: Borough of Atlantic Highlands
Shade Tree Commission for March 9, 2010 Meeting
Tuesday, April 13, 2010; 7:00pm

The meeting was held at Atlantic Highlands Borough Hall, 100 First Avenue, Atlantic Highlands

In attendance: Louise Donoghue, Marilyn Scherfen, Joseph Hawley, Lois Young, Kate Wigginton, Jennifer Marston, William Seuffert and Mary Thompson.

Louise Donoghue called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

The minutes of the March 9, 2010 meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by Joe Hawley to accept the minutes with corrections to the roster. Marilyn Scherfen seconded the motion and all that had been in attendance at the March 9th meeting voted in favor of acceptance.

Correspondence from the County regarding the April 14, 2010 Spring Forum was read. Mrs. Donoghue passed around the flyer and informed the committee that attendees would earn CEUs. Mrs. Donoghue requested that members get back to her as soon as possible if they plan on attending. Joe Hawley told the committee that he and Mary Thompson are on the waiting list for the Core Training session that will be held on April 10, 2010.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted to the committee. A \$25.00 donation was received from Mr. Wuesthoff. Mrs. Wigginton suggested that instead of taking 1/12th of the budget allocation as suggested at the previous meeting that we submit the Flynn Tree Service bill to Adam Hubeny. Discussion followed.

The recent storms and the consequent loss of trees were discussed. There are not enough funds to cover all the work that needs to be done. It was suggested that Will Seuffert, Joe Hawley, Jennifer Marston, Louise Donoghue and Mary Thompson meet at the St. Agnes Thrift Shop on March 15, 2010 and survey the damage and to report back on the trees surrounding St. Agnes.

Old Business: The accomplishment report for the grant was discussed. Joe Hawley reported that he mailed the report in as was requested of him.

An e-mail from Ken Thoman regarding the tree cutting that took place in front of the Hauffbraugh was read and filed. The trimming was not done as was suggested by the committee. Discussion followed with Jennifer Marston and Lois Young suggesting that we do more public education about trimming and about the Steep Slope Ordinance.

The invitation for the tree planting ceremony in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Wuesthoff on Friday, April 30, 2010 was passed around and approved. Mary Thompson will call Mr. Wuesthoff about a guest list.

Arbor Day Celebrations: The poster contest judging will be held on April 13, 2010 at the regular meeting. The Library will do a program on April 29, 2010. Kate Wigginton will order the tublings. Marilyn Scherfen will ask the Library Board to contribute. The winner of the poster contest will be announced at the public school's assembly. Mrs. Donoghue will call St. Agnes about an appropriate time to award winners there. Earth Day will be on April 23, 2010.

Louise Donoghue discussed the Forestry Plan and Bob Howe's part in it

A motion was presented by Joe Hawley to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 PM. Kate Wigginton seconded the motion and all in attendance voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Thompson