

Shade Tree Commission Meeting
June 14, 2016 7:00 PM
Atlantic Highlands Borough Hall Conference Room
100 First Avenue, Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716

In attendance: Bill Thorne, Louise Donoghue, Marilyn Scherfen, Kate Wigginton, Lori Montana

The meeting was called to order by Louise Donoghue at 7:06 P.M., in accordance with the Sunshine Law.

Treasurer's Report

May's report corrected:

Opening Balance - April 13, 2016: \$1,951.41

Closing Balance – May 10, 2016- \$1,322.35

June's report:

Opening Balance - \$1,322.35

Closing Balance - \$1,282.35

Treasurer's report was accepted with May's corrections. The motion was made by Kate Wigginton, seconded by Marilyn Scherfen; all in attendance agreed.

Minutes

The minutes from the meeting on May 10, 2016, were accepted with "Paramus" added as the location of the CORE training. Bill Thorne made the motion, seconded by Marilyn Scherfen; all in attendance agreed.

Old Business

House Tour Ad: Louise showed the Commission's ad, created by Mike Scherfen, for ad book for the Historical Society House Tour.

Arbor Day:

The posters made by the Atlantic Highlands Elementary School students for Arbor Day are on display in the Atlantic Highlands Library. Louise Donoghue will present the awards and prizes for the posters at the school on June 21.

First Avenue Tree Trimming:

A motion to have Mike Hufnagel trim the trees on First Avenue (as well as on West Mount and Center, if possible) was introduced and discussed, with the cost of trimming not to exceed \$2,000.00. The motion was made by Bill Thorne, seconded by Louise Donoghue; all in attendance agreed.

Tree Inventory: has already started. Commission members will meet once a week for an hour on Monday at 6:00 P.M, beginning on June 26th. The members will meet behind the Memphis PigOut by the pump.

Tree Watering:

The Leo's will water the trees on Hennessey Blvd. once a week each Sunday. The Shade Tree Commission plans to give them a party and present them with an award. The new partnership with the Leos will be able to be counted toward our Growth Award.

New Business

The Atlantic Highlands Garden Club is disbanding and would like to plant a tree in honor of the Club. The commission members discussed having the Atlantic Highlands Garden Club be honored with the Fall Tribute Tree, and the Mayors' Tree, previously chosen for the fall planting, would be planted, instead, on Arbor Day 2017.

The design firm for the Carton Brewery renovation would like to involve the Shade Tree Commission in recommending street trees to plant in front of their new building on First Avenue. Trees discussed were: Trident Maple, 'City Sprite' Zelkova, and Japanese Lilac. Commission members are asked to submit any other recommendations by the end of June so they may be presented to the firm.

Stakeholders Meeting:

The theme for the meeting will be "Challenges." The date will be Thursday, February 2, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. Bill Thorne and Marilyn Scherfen will co-chair.

Other New Business:

Everyone on the Shade Tree Commission has now completed CORE training.

Commission members will tour Casola Farms on Wednesday, July 6, 2016 and will leave Atlantic Highlands at 12:30.

Adjournment:

The motion was made to adjourn at 9:07 P.M. by Louise Donoghue, seconded by Bill Thorne; all in attendance agreed.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Montana