



METUCHEN SHADE TREE COMMISSION

BOROUGH HALL • 500 MAIN STREET • METUCHEN, NJ 08840

PUBLIC MEETING

April 5, 2016 – 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Maggie Manza, Lisa Gallina, Christine Von der Linn, Ushentha Govender

MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER/QUORUM at 7:11pm

1st Maggie and 2nd Ushentha

2. APPROVAL OF MARCH MINUTES

1st Maggie and Christine 2nd.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chris Cosenza asked STC members if they would consider revising the approved Contractor list of trees for planting in Metuchen. He will email list to Maggie. In addition Chris asked if STC wants to be involved in reviewing landscaping plans prior to his approval.

He also suggested that STC consider adding visual do's and don't' to the FAQ on the STC website:

4. FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

- Maggie reminded STC commissioners to complete Financial Disclosure forms before end of month.

5. ARBOR DAY: APRIL 29TH:

- Planting two trees at Metuchen High School.
- Dorothy will follow-up with Fred Hall regarding picking up trees

6. CORE TRAINING

- **CORE training Saturday April 23, in North Jersey:** Lisa and Todd will attend.

7. SPRING PLANTING

- Fred Hall at DPW to plant as soon as possible.
- Christine has worked on educational postcard to target homeowner interest. Awaiting approval from Dorothy to move forward with initiative.

8. UPDATES/NEW BUSINESS

- STC has reserved a table on June 18th at the opening day of Metuchen Farmers Market. STC will distribute 50 trees donated by the New Jersey Recovery Campaign 2016.
- STC to consider another walk-about to identify other areas in Metuchen in need of trees.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- Lisa 1st and Christine 2nd at 8:50pm
- Next meeting scheduled May 3, 2016 at 7pm at Borough Hall.