



METUCHEN SHADE TREE COMMISSION

BOROUGH HALL • 500 MAIN STREET • METUCHEN, NJ 08840

PUBLIC MEETING

July 5, 2016-7:00 PM

Present: Dorothy Rasmussen, Maggie Manza, Christine Von der Linn, Todd Pagel, Franklin Ferrara, and Thomas Thompson.

Meeting Minutes

1.) Call To Order/Quorum at 7:10 pm

1st Maggie and 2nd Christine

2.) Approval of June Minutes

1st Maggie and 2nd Franklin

3.) Public Comment

None

4.) Ongoing Planting

Homeowner Planting: On Thursday, July 7, 2016 at 7 pm, Todd Pagel, Christine Von der Linn, and Franklin Ferrara will meet at Dorothy Rasmussen's house to send mailings to homeowners on STC letterhead. We need to ensure that letter is addressed to property owner. Christine sent document to Dorothy.

5.) Updates

DPW

Fred Hall spoke to the Metuchen STC committee using Dorothy Rasmussen's cell phone and is planning to plant lindens from the "Recommended Shade Trees for planting" list that is distributed to developers.

Metuchen Farmer's Market

The Metuchen STC distributed 25 Red Maple Trees seedlings donated by the New Jersey Recovery Campaign on Saturday, June 18, 2016. The Metuchen STC is researching another Saturday date to give out trees at the Metuchen Farmer's Market.

Recommended Shade Tree List

The Metuchen Shade Tree Commission claims that there are too many oaks and maples in Metuchen and wants them removed from the list. Gingkoes were mentioned as a viable alternative.

STC Reviewing Plans with Zoning

Todd Pagel and Frank Ferrara met with Chris Cosenza at 5 pm on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at Borough Hall to review building plans and tree recommendations. The meeting was productive. This should improve communication between the Metuchen STC and the Zoning Officer.

6.) Adjournment

1st Todd and 2nd Maggie

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 7 pm at Borough Hall