

SHADE TREE MINUTES

SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 21, 2023

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Chairman Allen called to order the Meeting of the Susquehanna Shade Tree Commission on Thursday, December 21, 2023 at 4:00 PM.

ROLL CALL:

William Allen – Present

David Roccasecca – Present

Ray Davis - Present

TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL:

Dave Pribulka, Township Manager

Kathryn Hartz, Code Enforcement Inspector

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - R. Davis motioned to approve the minutes from November 2023, D. Roccasecca seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

BUDGET: Balance - \$32,642.21

APPLICATIONS:

The following addresses were received and either Approved or Denied by the board members for the following addresses.

- 2008 Verona – Cherepinsky Residence – R. Davis motioned to APPROVE the application to remove tree. D. Roccasecca seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

OLD BUSINESS:

620 Altavista – Vu Residence – D. Roccasecca motioned to APPROVE the removal of one (1) tree. R. Davis seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

- Board will re-evaluate the request to removed 2nd tree in the Spring of 2024. Arborist thought the tree was codominant and could use some weight reduction within the tree branches. Notice will be sent to owner.

524 Sandra – Holland Residence – Two dead trees on property, 45 days to respond to request - (December 27, 2023) to provide the Township with income qualification.

501 Altavista Avenue- D. Roccasecca motion to APPROVE the planting of 2 trees at 501 Altavista - Shade Tree Commission will provide one tree (1); owner will be responsible to purchase one tree of her choice which are listed on the approved tree list. Consideration will be given to where the owner would like the trees planted. Final planting will be at the discretion of the Shade Tree Commission and PA 1 Call. R. Davis seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:

Free Shade Tree Distribution Policy –D. Roccasecca motioned to remove paragraph 10 from the policy, R. Davis seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

D. Pribulka will review 2024 member status.

2024 Board Members will actively review their ward for missing trees or stumps that have not been removed per the approved permit. Discussion on number of trees to be allocated to all township wards in need of trees vs free trees for residents.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Adjournment:


R. Davis moved to adjourn the Shade Tree meeting, D. Roccasecca seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote and the meeting ended at 4:45pm

NEXT MEETING: January 18, 2024

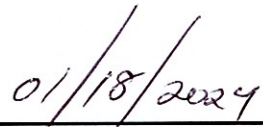
TIME: 4:00

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn M. Hartz
Administrative Assistant/Code Compliance Inspector



William Allen, Chairman



Date