

Bernards Township Shade Tree Commission

November 14, 2018

Call to Order

Called to order at 7:30 PM

Roll Call

Present: Al Werner, Mike Zaidel, Jack Gray, Frank Goodhart, Linda Sims, Randy Santoro, Fred Burgerhoff, Ryan Wallace

Absent: Derek Asay, Cindy Aiken, John Malay

Previous Month's Minutes

- Approved.

Bills/Correspondence

- No bills.
- Webinar notifications continue.
- Letter from Hills property manager as a recap of meeting attended by Randy, Al and Jack. Fred suggested mentioning the meeting in the Annual Report.

Education Report

- Linda & Al attended the Annual Shade Tree Federation Conference. Linda noted that no nurseries seemed to be in attendance and a smaller number of vendors than previous years.
- Randy discussed the Annual report, should get CEU's from the Conference and Webinars. Report needs to be filled out online – will ask Cindy if she would be interested in doing it again this year.
- Tree City USA forms are also available – Fred suggested sharing with group and have each member include their accomplishments.

Charter Day / Arbor Day

- No updates.

Tree Removals/Prunings/Plantings

- Ryan mentioned that they spent 3 days at Mountain Park, removed dead Ash trees there and some at War Memorial and DPW Building. Hope to be able to plant in December.
- Will start "snow" prunings this week.
- Ryan agreed to keep a spreadsheet for tree removals – very useful for the Annual report.
- Tree near the corner of Henry Street and So Finley Ave will be removed; large tree next to it will be pruned but not removed.

Old Business

- Jack finished the base for the Court Room gavel – the group would like to present to TC Committee before the end of the year – Mike will contact Denise directly about getting on the agenda.

New Business / Member Comments

- Randy mentioned our Holiday Party – December 12 at 7:00 PM. Members are asked to bring a goodie to share!
- Windshield survey – Ryan will find out if he can be the driver, and Zones 2 & 3 will be looked at.

Public Comments

- none.

Zone Assignments:

1 – Cindy/Derek	5 – Al / Mike
2 – Fred	6 - Jack
3 – Randy / Linda	7 – Frank / Fred
4 –Al / Jack	8 – Randy / Mike

Adjournment – 8:44 PM

Next meeting – Wednesday, December 12, 2018 – 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy O’Connell - Secretary