

# **Bernards Township Shade Tree Commission**

## **August 11, 2021**

**Call to Order** at 7:02 PM

### **Roll Call:**

**Present:** Randy Santoro, Al Werner, Gregory Axt, Linda Sims, Scott Kessel, Frank Goodhart.

**Absent:** Jim Baldassare, Ryan Wallace, Cindy Aiken, Jack Gray, Kate Creegan

### **Public Meeting Statement**

### **Public Comments**

- none

### **Previous Month's Minutes**

- Approved

### **Bills/Correspondence**

- Letter from NJ Community Forestry announcing our current 5 Year Plan (due to expire in December, 2022) was extended to December, 2027.

### **Arbor Day**

- No updates

### **Charter Day**

- Looking forward for 2022!

### **Education Report**

- Discussed having new members attend Core Training at the Fall conference.

### **Tree Removals/Prunings/Plantings**

- Updates provided by Ryan via email
- Randy sent letter to Jen Gander about planting in Mountain Park – Jen will discuss with her Grounds foreman about location.

### **Old Business**

- Spotted Lantern Flies – all around us – keep squashing them! Would like to have some pictures of “Tree of Heaven” for our website to alert residents what not to plant – or remove if they have any.

### **New Business**

- Greg suggested someone look at the Spring planting trees to be sure they are being watered.
- Randy asked members to look at their October calendars for the NJ Shade Tree Federation conference.

- Windshield survey will be done in late Fall – we will decide which zones and who will participate.
- Commissioners Zones:
  - o 1 Cindy
  - o 2 Randy, Kate
  - o 3 Randy, Linda
  - o 4 Jack, Scott
  - o 5 Al
  - o 6 Jack
  - o 7 Frank
  - o 8 Greg

Adjournment – 7:35 PM

Next meeting – September 15, 2021

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Judy O’Connell**  
**Secretary**