

Long Hill Township Shade Tree Commission

Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2015

Attendees: Melanie Palmer Burdorf, Don Farnell, Susan Jeans, Peter O'Neill, Mary DeLello (recorder)

Absent: Phyllis Fast, Guy Piscerchia, Guy Roshto, Paul Tamburri

Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM

COMMISSION BUSINESS

- 1. Treasurer's Report:** \$9,715.14 is the balance (same). Susan requested Peter add \$500 to the budget to cover the expense of an annual Arbor Day tree to include planting cost. Money shouldn't come out of the Trust but out of the Township monies designated for the Shade Tree Commission.
- 2. Forestry Report:** Review of report with corrections. Don moved to accept the Township of Long Hill County of Morris Community Forestry Plan as amended on 9/21/15. Melanie seconded, all in favor.
- 3. Challenge Grant Overview:** Program was successful. Due to the current drought, trees will be checked on to view progress.
- 4. Seedling trees handed out:** Program was well received by community.
- 5. Environmental Day at Millington School:** Students were involved and enjoyed the presentation.
- 6. Application for tree removal at 674 Meyersville Road:** Tree was removed and resident very pleased.
- 7. Application for development Stirling Hotel:** delayed

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Back to Nature Holiday Tree Giveaway Program:** Don would like to know more about the program before deciding to participate.
- 2. 2016 Schedule of Meetings for STC:** Unanimously accepted. Mary to send schedule to Andrea Tsimboukis and Cathy Reese at Township.
- 3. Trees being taken down in the right of way:** Trees being removed by DPW and private contractors without previous knowledge of STC. Reminder to the public should be made. Susan will speak to Neil Henry.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM. Don moved, Peter seconded, all in favor

► Next meeting: Monday, **October 19, 2015, 7:00 PM** at the **Library**.

Submitted by,
Mary DeLello, Recorder