

Long Hill Township Shade Tree Commission

Minutes from May 22, 2023

Attendees: Susan Jeans, Gordon Redgate, Paul Tamburri, Karen Torpey, and Mary DeLello (recorder)

Absent: Ann Cade, Theresa Dill, Phyllis Fast, Al Gallo, Mary Ellen Grunther, and Scott Lavender
Meeting called to order at 7:08 by Susan

Minutes: Susan moved to accept the minutes from the April 24, 2023 meeting, Paul seconded, all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **2023 Budget Update** – no update at this time
2. **Sapling Trees/Tree Recovery Update** – handed out 148 trees at event, handed out another 20 trees at the Wagner Farm Arboretum plant sale
3. **Challenge Grant Update** – Twenty trees were ordered and planted
4. **Arbor Day Update** – Hawthorn tree was bought from Barton Nursery and was planted on Carlton Road

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Canopy Assessment for LHT** - Lisa Jordan from Drew University did canopy study for Madison and will work with Susan to do a canopy assessment for LHT.
2. **Valley Road Project** – Susan and Gordon will follow-up with three businesses on Valley Road
3. **Tree Campus K – 12** – State Forestry Council has a program that would sponsor and encourage children to get involved in taking care of trees. STC would like to be involve in the program to be a part of the Tree Campus. Possibly the Gillette school garden, Millington Environmental Day, and Central School's Environmental Club could play a role in the STC's involvement.

Paul moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50, Gordon seconded, all in favor.

- Next meeting: **Monday, June 26, 2023 at 7:00 PM, at the LHT First Aid Squad Room and via Zoom**

Submitted by Mary DeLello, Recorder