

Haverford Township Shade Tree Commission

Meeting Minutes

10/22/18

Meeting took place at the Haverford Township Building, 1014 Darby Rd, Havertown, Pennsylvania. The Meeting was called to order by Chair David Schneck.

Commission Attendees: David Schneck, Paul Davit, Mark Pennington, Joe Rastatter, Kathy Grentzenberg, Doreen Saar, Joseph Celia (Township Liaison)

Commission Members Absent:

Other Attendees: Robert Blue, Drew Peterson, Jeanne Angell, Commissioner Mario Oliva, Commissioner Gerry Hart

Plan Review:

Robert Blue, Consulting Engineer for the Bryn Mawr Medical Specialist development project at 986 and 996 E. Railroad Avenue presented a revised planting plan and Arborist report for the property. After discussion, the plan was approved with the following recommendations:

- a. Implement a maintenance and treatment plan for the existing 5 ash trees that will remain on the property.
- b. It was agreed that the replacement tree caliper required is 288 inches, (85 trees). However, it was noted that 69 trees were drawn on the plan. The difference between the 285 inches of caliper required and the caliper inches actually planted at the time of inspection will be donated to the township.
- c. In addition to the replacement trees, 11 street trees along road frontage and 4 trees in parking lot area are required.

Follow Up Items:

1. Tree Tenders Homeowner Planting
 - a. Discussed different options regarding Jeanne Angell 's announcement that she will no longer lead the Tree Tenders Spring planting of homeowner trees in the Township. Jeanne and Commissioner Oliva helped the Commission understand the history of the Tree Tenders program in the township and the pros and cons of different options for moving forward without Jeanne leading the Homeowner planting.

- b. After discussion, Jeanne agreed that she will lead a smaller Homeowner planting in the Spring of 2019. After that, the Tree Tenders program will focus on doing 2 public space plantings per year rather than one public space and one homeowner planting.
- c. The Commission agreed that it will pursue a plant giveaway program to Township homeowners to supplement the Tree Tenders public plantings. The goal will be to establish a smaller, inaugural give away in 2019 with the hope of expanding the giveaway in future years.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2018.

Respectfully submitted by Mark Pennington