

Haverford Township Shade Tree Commission

Meeting Minutes

12/10/18

Meeting took place at 7:30 PM 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, Doreen Saar, Joseph Celia (Township Liaison)

Commission Members Absent: Kathy Grentzenberg

Other Attendees: Thomas Hanna, Gilmore & Associates, Inc.; Ryan Orr, kcba Architects

Plan Review:

Messrs. Hanna and Orr presented revised land development plans for the proposed demolition and new construction of the Lynnewood Elementary School on Lawrence Road.

After discussion, the Commission agreed to allow trees #1, #2 and #10, all trees in the storm water management zones, to be counted as 1:4 ratio caliper trees rather than as 1:1 ratio replacement trees. This lowered the caliper inches required for replacement trees to 400 inches. In addition, it was agreed that 16 parking lot trees and 20 buffer zone trees to be counted as replacement tree caliper, resulting in a proposed replacement tree caliper total of 280 inches. As a result, the plans were 120 caliper inches short of the code requirement.

The Commission recommended that the developer consider planting trees totaling 120 caliper inches in the adjacent Lynnewood park and/or donating trees to the township for planting in other public space to satisfy code requirements.

The developer agreed to explore the possibility of planting additional trees in Lynnewood Park. The developer also agreed to donate the remaining caliper inches after counting trees planted at Lynnewood Park to the township for planting in other public spaces.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2019 at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Mark Pennington