



TOWNSHIP OF OLD BRIDGE

SHADE TREE COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATION OFFICER
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Chairperson – Gina Talamo
Vice Chair – Vincent Lovallo

Commission Members-

Dan Ostrowski, Bill Hoban,
Kathy Schulmeister

Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Vincent Lovallo and second by Dan Ostrowski, at 7:10 pm on May 18th, 2016

Flag Salute – 7:10pm

Announced Compliance with Open Public Meeting Act.

Roll Call

Present: Vincent Lovallo, Dan Ostrowski,
Bill Hoban and Conservation Officer/Forester Gary Lovallo

Absent – Kathy Shulmeister and Gina Talamo

Minutes: Minutes from previous meeting reviewed. Motioned for acceptance by Dan Ostrowski and 2nd by Bill Hoban

Budget: 430,157.88 working appropriated budget

Tree Specialist Gary Lovallo/Foresters Report:

Presentation and Discussions – Review and Discussion –

- **7:49** – Chairperson Gina Talamo has joined the quorum via phone to confirm and discuss the events for Arbor Day at Carpenter school. Events have been clarified and at 7:59 Gina Talamo has left the quorum via phone.
- Seedling giveaway was held in front of public works and distributed on both days by Gary Lovallo/Conservation officer.
- Discussion was held to make directional signs available in future to make locating event easier for our residents.

B. Permits: 30 permits have been requested

- **Bordentown Ave** – Esposito has paid 11,500 for tree removal
- **Cheese Quake Woods** – private resident is waiting on permit for fence and will pay \$7,700 for tree removal

- **BP Gold** - was denied a permit waiting on tree expert to estimate the cost
104 Throckmorton – As per section I 1 threw 4, 104 Throckmorton Lane is permitted to remove Heritage Tree with no repercussion. Dan made motion and Bill second the motion with committee in agreement.

Municipals Tree Planting Plan – Bids go out second week of August –
 Lakeridge West and Country Place are prospective areas for tree planting. As well as 104 Throckmorton Lane

Old Business:

Committee Reports and Proposals

1. Arbor Day Program: Gina Talamo was notified to proceed for next year
2. Cottrell Farms: Historical Committee is eager to be a part of this program

Grants: A \$3,000 grant was given to write the management plan. The State needs reimbursement forms, \$25,000 grant was denied. Will apply again in fall

Web Site:

Tree City:

- No action
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New Business:

Public Forum:

- None

Correspondence:

- None

Bills:

- Dan Ostrowski motioned payment for Secretary, motion was 2nd by Vincent Lovallo

Adjournment: 8:17 motioned by Bill Hoban and 2nd by Vincent Lovallo

Next meeting - June 22,2016



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- **Cindy Street (Rt 9 North)** – Proposed for fast food and bank. Will have to be reviewed for tree removal
- **104 Throckmorton** – resident was invited to state his case at a meeting regarding removal of Heritage tree. Conservation Officer will inspect condition of tree for removal

Municipals Tree Planting Plan – bid came in for at \$500 a tree as this was above our desired amount to spend bidding has been deferred until July – end of August

Old Business:

Committee Reports and Proposals

3. Arbor Day Program - Will take place Friday at 9:30 at Carpenter School. There will be a presentation for the entire school.

Cottrell Farms:

Grants: NONE

Web Site:

Tree City:

- No action
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New Business:

A motion was made to have car decals made for all registered carpenters in Old Bridge to make it easy to identify and keep track of those that are and aren't registered. Prices and places for the purchase of these decals will be researched. Dan Ostrowski moved to accept motion and Bill Hoban 2nd that motion.

Public Forum:

- None

Correspondence:

- None

Bills:

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Adjournment: 8:14 motioned by Bill Hoban and 2nd by Vincent Lovallo

Next meeting -