

TOWNSHIP OF OLD BRIDGE

SHADE TREE COMMISSION
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Chairperson -

Vice Chair - Gina Talamo

Commission Members- Joseph Adelfio, David Carbone, Bill Hoban, Lori Stapleton **Other Attendees** – Ellen Connor, Anita Greenberg-Belli, CO G. Lovallo, Daniel Holihan

CALL TO ORDER

Shade Tree Commission was called to order by the Vice Chair on Wednesday, September 22, 2020 at 7:10p.

ROLL CALL

Present: Gina Talamo, Gary Lovallo, Lori Stapleton, Ellen Connor, Joseph Adelfio, Daniel Holihan

NOMINATIONS & ELECTION OF NEW CHAIR

No nomination or election took place during the meeting

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING REVIEWED

No previous minutes were reviewed

BUDGET – The budget was not reviewed

TREE SPECIALIST GARY LOVALLO/FORESTERS REPORT

Presentation and Discussions: No report was given.

Permits and Violations

- Since May 2020 the online tree removal permit website has received about 250 applications
- There have been about 400 total applications received to date

15 Kerr Lane – Mr. Moscato of 15 Kerr Lane applied on April 29, 2020 to remove 76 trees from his backyard. He was given the option to replant 52 shade trees, pay into the trust in the amount of \$14,640.00 or remove 50% this year. Mr. Moscato appealed G. Lovallo's decision at the September 21, 2020 council meeting to gain council approval to remove all 76 trees at no cost this year. 50% of the trees were already removed since the permit was issued. The council voted 8 to 1 to deny the appeal.

Site Plan Review - 44-2020Z Manzo

Located on Cheesequake Road and Bordentown Avenue, this 15 acre wooded parcel of land has
proposed to clear 10 acres. No plans have been filed to date with the township. G. Lovallo will
await further action of the applicant before plans are reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS

Scholarship – Lori Stapleton reported that the scholarship has been sent to the schools ROTC. L. Stapleton reported that she has not received a response and will follow up. G. Talamo to send response and approval of choices to committee.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45p

Next meeting: Saturday October 24, 2020 @ 9:00a in Room 201