

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMISSION

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MEETING MINUTES February 17, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Shade Tree Commission was held at 7:30 PM, Wednesday, February 17, 2016, in the Montgomery Township Building on Stump Road. The members of the Shade Tree Commission in attendance included: Roy Rodriguez, Rich Roller, Jay Glickman and Mary Brock. Also present: Marianne McConnell, Deputy Zoning Officer; Greg Reiff, Parks Foreman; Michael Fox, Board Liaison; Valerie Liggett, Boucher & James; and John Antonucci.

Approval of Minutes: On a motion made by Mary Brock and seconded by Jay Glickman, the minutes from the January 2016 meeting were approved as submitted.

Public Comment: none

Correspondence: none

Update on Projects: Updates were provided for the following projects:

Land Development – The Commission was updated on the following projects: Five Points Plaza Unit #5 Plan review and the 776 Bethlehem Pike Waiver of Land Development request.

<u>Shade Tree Projects</u> – no update at this time.

Old Business:

<u>Memorial Grove Plantings and Benches</u> – The viburnum around the benches have overgrown and will be removed by Public Works and transplanted to along the tree line surrounding the memorial area. The Commission reviewed the original landscape plan and selected 27 vibernum to be removed and transplanted. The first grouping of vibernum before the benches will remain in place. All of the vibernum around the sundial will be removed. They will be replaced with dwarf fothergilla, which should grow to a maximum 4-5 ft in height and 4 ft in width. They will be planted 6 feet from the benches. The Commission selected the initial plantings to be 24-30 inch b&b rather than a 5 gal container. The estimated cost for the project is \$2000. Dave Rhoads of Rhoads Garden will be contacted to install as they are scheduled to be at that site replacing Sugar Maple trees this upcoming spring.

SALDO Amendments - The Commission reviewed the draft amendments to SALDO and Chapter 189 of the Code of Montgomery Township in regards to street trees. On a motion made by Rich Roller and seconded by Jay Glickman the Commission recommends to send the amendments to the Board of Supervisors for review and approval as submitted by Boucher & James.

New Business: Upcoming Events:

<u>Honorary Citizen of Montgomery Township Presentation</u> – Korean Ambassador on February 23, 2016 at 10:30 am in the Township Meeting Room

<u>Volunteer Brunch</u> – The brunch is scheduled for Sunday, March 13th, at Pine Crest Country Club.

Arbor Day – Saturday, April 23, 2016

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on March 16, 2016 at the Montgomery Township Building.