



**MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP  
SHADE TREE COMMISSION**

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**MEETING MINUTES**  
August 16, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Shade Tree Commission was held at 7:30 PM, Wednesday, August 16, 2017, 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: Bruce Shoupe, Director of Planning & Zoning; Marianne McConnell, Deputy Zoning Officer; Judy Stern-Goldstein, Boucher & James; John Antonucci; and Michael J. Fox, Board Liaison.

**Approval of Minutes:** On a motion made by Jay Glickman and seconded by Rich Roller, the minutes from the June 2017 meeting were approved as submitted.

**Public Comment:** Residents of the Orchards Development addressed the BOS at their regular meeting on August 14, 2017. They requested approval to install a mature Magnolia Soulangeana tree to be planted along with a bench as a memorial to a lost loved one, James Riley Halek (JR). The Board granted approval and asked them to work with the Shade Tree Commission in regards to placement, installation, and maintenance of the proposed tree and bench. The residents have a Nursery who will install the tree and water for 8 weeks. Thereafter, the residents will maintain and water the tree. A 5-6 inch caliper Magnolia tree (hot pink blooms) is proposed to be installed. Planting should occur in September or early October.

**Correspondence:** The Shade Tree Commission was notified that the Legacy Tree located at 307 Pioneer Drive had to be removed. It was a White Ash tree and did not endure the EAB infestation.

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

Land Development – The Commission was updated on the following projects: 1701 N Line Street start of maintenance inspection; Kin Properties / Sprint Store start of maintenance inspection; and Montgomeryville Nissan opinion of probable cost.

Shade Tree Projects – Several trees within the Sugar Maple Grove have died. The Commission discussed adding (12) 4-6 foot sugar maples to our Arbor Day tree order as replacements.

**Old Business:**

2017 Community Tree Workshop – The workshop information, agenda, and registration form is available on the township website. Payments can be made by mail or online. The registration fee is \$95.00 per attendee with a 20% discount if registered by September 15<sup>th</sup>. The credit approvals have been received and reviewed by the Commission.

Ash Tree Removal Project – The contract / bid documents are currently being reviewed by Township Consultants, DVIT, and the Township Solicitor. Some ash trees have been removed by the Public Works department along street and around Township owned basins. Residents have contacted the Township in regards to replacement of these trees. Currently, the Township's focus is on removal of dead Ash Trees and will assess areas in the near future as to replacements and develop a plan.

**New Business:**

2018 Proposed Budget – The Commission discussed the following projects for the 2018 proposed budget:

1. Copper Beech at the Community & Recreation Center – Spring 2018
2. Korean War Memorial Landscaping – Fall 2018

**Adjournment:** There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The next meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on September 20, 2017 at the Montgomery Township Building.