



MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMISSION

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MEETING MINUTES

May 19th, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Shade Tree Commission was held at 7:30 PM, Wednesday May 19th, 2010, in the Montgomery Township Building on Stump Road. The members of the Shade Tree Commission in attendance included: Roy Rodriguez, Rich Roller, Mary Brock, and Lisa Ford. Also present: Bruce Shoupe, Director of Planning & Zoning; Judy Stern-Goldstein, Boucher & James; Amy Saylor, Project Coordinator; Michael Fox, Board Liaison, Ray Barndt; Park Foreman, and John Antonucci.

Approval of Minutes: On a motion made by Mary Brock, and seconded by Lisa Ford the minutes from the April meeting were approved as submitted.

Public Comment: none

Correspondence: A letter from the Montgomery County Planning Commission in reference to Landscape Ordinance Amendments was reviewed.

Update on Projects – Boucher & James:

Land Development – The committee was given updates on Land Development projects for Montgomery Preserve/Montgomery Knoll, the Eureka Sewer Plant, Montgomery Business Campus/Fed Ex, Selective Development/Citibank, Ashburn Village/Crispo Tract, Commerce Bank, Stump Road Fire House (Phase I Landscaping), Windlestrae Tot-Lot Tree Plantings, the Montgomery Mall Expansion, General Hancock Townhomes, Zehr Tract/Estates at Windlestrae, McDonald's, Montgomery Walk, Manor View II, Country Lane Estates, and Charter Oak/110 Country Lane.

Old Business:

Usher Lane- The turnaround at the end of Usher Lane has been marked for future layout. Public Works has begun dumping millings to extend the end of the Usher Lane turnaround and will begin excavating an island to be placed at the center of the turnaround.

Basins- This month a member of DIVIT reviewed the 6 approved basins and the 6 proposed basins to be allowed to go natural to determine the necessity of perimeter fencing around each basin. Based on this review, DIVIT has deemed 2 of the 12 basins to be in need of perimeter fencing. Fencing for the remaining 10 basins may be removed. It is the recommendation of the Shade Tree Commission to removing the fencing from the 10 basins. Bruce Shoupe will discuss removing

the fencing with Frank Bartle to determine Montgomery Township's liability then will seek approval from the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery Township. Because of the total cost of the removal of fencing, it was proposed that this be a potential Eagle Scout project.

Parking Lot Trees- The dead trees located in the Montgomery Township Building parking lot will be cut down. These trees will not be chipped so to limit the spread of any organism that may have killed these trees.

New Business:

Eagle Scout Project- Ray Barndt has an Eagle Scout who is able to construct a small bridge on the trail connecting Usher Lane with Memorial Grove.

Legacy Trees- A discussion ensued regarding what qualifies as a Legacy Tree. Judy Stern-Goldstein will put a definition together for the next Shade Tree Meeting.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 9:03 PM. The next meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on June 16th 2010 at the Montgomery Township Building.