

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMISSION

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Shade Tree Commission Meeting notes September 18, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Shade Tree Commission was held at 7:30 PM, Wednesday, September 18, 2019, in the Montgomery Township Building on Stump Road. The members of the Shade Tree Commission in attendance included: Roy Rodriguez, Jay Glickman, Rich Roller, Mary Brock, and Brad Walters. Also present: Bruce Shoupe, Director of Planning & Zoning; Marianne McConnell, Deputy Zoning Officer; Judy Stern-Goldstein, Boucher & James; Greg Reiff, Parks Foreman; and Michael Fox, Board Liaison.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

Minutes: On a motion made by Jay Glickman and seconded by Rich Roller the July 2019 minutes were approved as submitted.

Public Comment: none

Correspondence: none

Update on Projects / Boucher & James:

<u>Land Development</u> — The Commission was update on the following projects: Pro Real Ventures Car Wash Waiver Requests; McDonalds Landscape Inspection; PFFCU Tree Protection Fencing; Hampton Green Grading plan review; Bharatiya Temple Plan Review; General Hancock Tank Waiver of Land Development and Opinion of Probable Cost; and Montgomery Realty Waiver and Hampton Green Grading Permit Review.

Shade Tree Projects – Reviewed Quarterly Status Charts

Old Business:

Ash Tree Forestry Management Project Update:

Ash Tree Forestry Management Project Phases I - V - Completed.

<u>Ash Tree Forestry Management Project Phase VB</u> – Awarded to Rambo Tree Service in the amount of \$63,750. Currently in progress.

<u>Phase VI</u> – Awarded to ProMark Tree Service in the amount of \$49,725, pending contract signatures and Notice to Proceed. Currently in progress.

<u>Phase VII</u> – 355 trees, pre-bid meeting 4/24, bid opening 5/1. – 30 Day extension granted to award bid. All bids rejected. Three additional sites were added (18 areas) and will now be broken into two phases, phase VII and VIII. Rebid awarded to Jimmys Tree in the amount of \$30,000.

<u>Phase VIII</u> – Three bids were received and opened after 10am on September 11, 2019. The lowest bid received was in the amount of \$22,870 submitted by Jimmys Tree and Landscaping. This will be presented to the Board of Supervisors on September 23rd.

<u>2019 Community Forestry Workshop</u> – November 1, 2019. The online registration is open. Our Towne Catering has confirmed the date. We are finalizing the last speaker and will update accordingly.

<u>Fall 2019 Tree Give Away / Planting Project</u> – 395 trees, stakes, and shelters were ordered for the give away. The delivery is scheduled for October 8th with the giveaway to be held on October 19th.

New Business:

<u>Korean War Memorial</u> – The hardscaping portion of the project is out to bid. Will obtain quotes for the landscaping portion of the project which is on target for a 2019 Fall Planting.

<u>2020 Preliminary Budget</u> – The Commission reviewed and made suggestions for the 2020 budget.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on October 16, 2019 at the Montgomery Township Building.

October 19 – Fall Tree Give Away 9am-11am at Township Building – Mike, Val, Mary, Marianne

October 26 – Boy Scout Planting 9am at Spring Valley Park – Jay, Rich, Roy, Val, Marianne