



**MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP
SHADE TREE COMMISSION**

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**Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes
June 19, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Shade Tree Commission was held at 7:30 PM, Wednesday, June 19, 2019, in the Montgomery Township Building on Stump Road. The members of the Shade Tree Commission in attendance included: 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; and Greg Reiff, Parks Foreman.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm

Minutes: On a motion made by Jay and seconded by Mary, the May 2019 minutes approved as submitted.

Public Comment: none

Correspondence:

Summer Ridge Basin Complaint – Reviewed basin concerns, fence will be removed at some point. The amount of rain has slowed down the work, the conditions are wet.

Update on Projects / Boucher & James:

Land Development – The Commission was update on the following projects: Memorial Grove Ash Tree Replacements Start of Maintenance Inspection; Firebirds Tree Protection Fencing Inspection; BJ's Wholesale End of Maintenance Inspection; Parkway at Montgomery Opinion of Probable Cost; Higher Rock Tree Protection Fencing Inspection; The Village of Windsor Plan Review and Landscaping Waiver Requests; Timberlane Opinion of Probable Cost 2; Sprint Store End of Maintenance Inspection; and Marks Jewelers End of Maintenance Inspection.

Old Business:

Ash Tree Forestry Management Project Update:

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

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

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

Phase VII – The project includes the felling of 355 trees. The pre-bid meeting was held on 4/24, the bid opening on 5/1. A 30 Day extension granted to award bid.

2019 Community Forestry Workshop – November 1, 2019. Potential Speakers have been contacted. Community Center is reserved. Starker Wright, Bartlett Tree Experts, has secured keynote speaker. His specific topic is unknown at this time. Valerie Liggett and Emelie Swackhammer will present again this year. Dr. Howard will provide the pesticide regulations update. Need bios and agenda, and credit (CEU's) approvals.

Seeking breakout session speakers. Starker Wright will look into a possible speaker.

Fall 2019 Tree Give Away / Planting Project – The Commission discussed the idea of giving away trees to those residents that backed up to the Township properties that recently had been affected by the Ash Tree infestation. The mailing list for phases I-IV of the Forestry Management Program will be provided at the next meeting for further discussion and to determine the number of properties involved.

New Business:

Welcome New Member - The Commission welcomed new member Brad Walters. Brad comes the Commission with a strong background and knowledge of the tree and landscaping industry and will be a great asset to the Township.

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 July 17, 2019 at the Montgomery Township Building.