

POMPTON LAKES SHADE TREE COMMITTEE
JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 8, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT and/or EXCUSED:

Present: Anne, Randy, Maddie, Councilman Venin, Mayor Serra

Excused: Megan, Pete

Meeting called to order at 7:40 PM

Motioned by Randy, Seconded by Anne. Passed

PUBLIC PORTION:

PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES:

Meeting minutes from December 2017 were reviewed and approved. Motioned by Maddie, seconded by Anne.

SHADE TREE LIAISON: Councilman Ek Venin:

CHAIR REPORT: Anne Tacinelli -

5 Hours

Councilman Ek Venin is now our liaison for Shade Tree.

Madeline Denti was sworn in for another 5 year term.

Jennifer Polidori has resigned.

Community Stewardship must fix an issue on Excel to log hours for CSIP Grant program to include other volunteers such as Lauren Venin and Ed Merrill.

Annual membership fee of \$15 for the Arbor Day Foundation has been paid.

Received form for seedling for Arbor Day **or** National Night Out. Decision will be made at next meeting on the event for purchase.

Looking for tree locations for possible dedication for retired crossing guard and Sgt. Kamper.

DISTRICT 2 REPORT: Pete Auteri

HOURS 6

Treasury

We have two outstanding bills to Cerbos and Downes. Per Barbara we did not need to encumber the funds to pay these. She did put them down as encumbrances against the 2017 budget. We most likely underspent our 2017 budget. After these bills are paid I will get the final year end tally.

County

Nothing to report

Zone 2

Checked 46 Center for tree damage. At least 3 large limbs look to have ant damage. We can recheck in spring to see if pruning or tree removal is required.

Miscellaneous

Randy asked me to look at 200 Pompton Ave. Homeowner wants to remove trees position 1 & 2. Position 1 not sure have to relook in spring. Position 2 from the condition I saw he can remove.

Took the on-line webinar "Tree Selection for the 21st Century".

Utility Liaison

I left a message for Bob Lee Forestry Manager JCPL to contact me prior to the tree trimming in town.

DISTRICT 3 & CO-CHAIR REPORT: Randy Hinton-

Hours: 15

Attended a December webinar with Pete.

Fall removal list is not yet complete.

57-63 Hill Court London Plane Tree "Frost Cracks"--Common in this tree, should not be a problem according to John Linson. Will recheck trees in spring/summer.

1032 Colfax Ave Oak Tree on pruning list.

46 Center Street--Spoke to homeowner Nancy Dazell, ants eating tree, branches are dropping. Will revisit tree in spring.

120 Birch Street--Homeowner's builders damaged the tree, tree was removed.

10 Bartholf Ave--Small tree, possible removal, JCP&L damage.

200 Pompton Ave--Two trees are in bad shape. Possible removal from homeowner. The homeowner has permission to remove trees and must also remove stumps.

22 Federal Ct--Problem resolved with overhanging branches to neighbor's property.

1058 Ringwood Ave--Tree was removed, stump gone.

Reminder that Cerbo needs to plant the trees behind the tennis court as a replacement planting.

CSIP Grant--Want to set up a plan to move forward with mapping out sections for Grant trees to be planted. All the commissioners included in putting plan together.

DISTRICT 4 REPORT: Madeline Denti

8 Hours

No calls to voicemail to report for December. No Facebook messages. Mailed out 12 more location letters.

14 trees on current planting list including abandoned property at 29 Central Ave. All other locations were given to me at meetings or through word of mouth of commissioners.

Attended webinar with Pete, Randy, and Megan.

Up to 129 followers on Facebook! We gained 2 followers from the December webinar! YAY!

Will put out notice on Facebook page to residents who would like a tree for the Spring planting.

Starting to prepare for Arbor Day celebration.

Motion to adjourn at 8:57 PM. Motioned by Randy, seconded by Anne. Passed.