

Westwood Shade Tree Advisory Committee - Minutes - March 8, 2010

Attendance: S. Scherba, L. Hayes, V. Sauer, P. Grefath, J. Russo, and C. Leyden

Meeting began at 7:30 PM

The meeting was called to order by Linda Hayes at 7:30 PM. Sheryl Scherba then read the Open Public Meetings Law Statement: "This meeting which conforms to the Open Public Meetings law, Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975, is a regular Westwood Shade Tree Advisory meeting. Notices have been filed with our local official newspapers and posted on the municipal bulletin board."

The February 2010 minutes were voted on and passed.

Telephone Messages:

- Resident at 22 Caroline Street requests a tree.
- Resident at 72 Hurlbut Street requests a replacement tree.
- Resident John Misha left message on machine for a return phone call.

Correspondence:

- A memo was received from Robert Hoffmann, Borough Administrator stating that all requisitions and vouchers must receive prior approval from the council liaison for the department before being submitted for processing.
- An email was received from a resident at 18 Lockerby Lane - he wants a large Sycamore taken down - complained of falling branches.

Ordinance:

As per the 2009 Business Stimulus Fund, Chris will have John Anlian fill out some required paperwork. This will be returned to Linda and sent back to the State of NJ by the March 31st deadline.

Spring Tree Planting 2010:

- John R. will prepare a list of 12 short and 12 tall trees for our list of recommended trees to plant in the right of way area. Among those trees will be native trees of our area. We will post this tree list on our website.
- Ginny and Linda will come up with the spring tree order.
- Sheryl will prepare a list of resident tree requests and give to Linda.

Westwood School Reorganization:

A letter was sent to the Planning board stating our findings on the matter - as of this date we have received no response. Peter will follow up on this.

Arbor Day:

Peter informed us that an Environment Committee has been formed in our town which consists of 2 students, 5 residents and council liaison Cindy Waneck. Ginny showed some interest and may sit in on one of their meetings. She will find out if they have any Arbor day plans that we may possibly work on with them. Linda stated that the Arbor Day theme this year is Trees for energy conservation.

Meeting ended at 9PM