

Westwood Shade Tree Advisory Committee - Minutes – January 9, 2012

Attendance: S. Scherba, V. Sauer, J. Russo and I. Quinn, council liaison

Attendance: alternate member R. Sasena

Meeting began at 7:30 PM

The meeting was called to order by Virginia Sauer at 7:30 PM, Sheryl Scherba 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 December minutes were voted on and approved.

Telephone Messages:

- Resident called to have dangling branches removed from tree due to October storm

The meeting was opened to the public: no one from the public attended the meeting.

New Ordinance:

- Linda sent the necessary information to the State as outlined in the grant requirements and complied with the 12/31/11 deadline.
- Ginny handed out the 6th revision of the ordinance from John Anlian for our review.

Council Liaison report – Ingrid Quinn and members in attendance of STAC introduced themselves to each other and as it is the first meeting Ingrid had nothing to report at this time. Ginny gave Ingrid a brief overview of the current concerns of our committee and mentioned the merits of members attending the CORE training course held each spring in Paramus. All current committee members have attended. The STAC asked Ms.Quinn if she would find out the necessary steps to make our alternate members official.

Tree Inventory:

A training session still needs to be set up for Rio of the DPW and Paul Cowie, Ginny would also like to sit in on the training session. Ginny will call Paul Cowie and set up.

Spring 2012 Tree Planting:

Once again we are reminded to be on the lookout for possible Spring Tree planting sights for about 50 trees.

Tree Pruning:

Bill Murtaugh completed the young tree pruning and now we should be on the lookout for any trees in the borough that we see still need pruning and create a new list for Bill.

2011 Accomplishment report:

John R and Ginny will work together in reviewing the past years accomplishments. Sheryl will provide copies of 2011 minutes to Ginny.

Project on Green St/Kinderkamack Road:

Ed Sneikus (Boswell Engineering) has been in contact with Linda Hayes regarding 2 trees that may need to come down on the property. Ginny will check with Linda Hayes, Chairperson, to see what further information is needed.

Meeting ended at 8:40PM

