



Township of Colts Neck, Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

05 December 2013

Meeting called to order at 19:35 hours by Jim Nicoletti, who read the following statement. "As the presiding officer of this meeting of the Colts Neck Shade Tree Commission, I hereby declare that the notice requirements in accordance with the provisions of the Open Meeting Law Chapter 21, P.L. 1975 has been provided in accordance with the Annual Notice Procedures of C 10.4-28 of said Act. I further order that this public announcement be placed in the minutes of this meeting."

Roll Call

Commission Members

Present: Jim Nicoletti, Ben O'Neill, Jen Axelrod, Henry Hammond, Eileen Stivala
Absent: Gordon Boak

Staff

Present: Anita O'Malley, STC Secretary
Absent: Julie McGowan, Landscape Architect, Tom Orgo, Committee Liaison

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion by H. Hammond, 2nd by B. O'Neill to accept minutes of previous meeting.

Issues

1. One Boundary Road (Mr. Brad Daniels) Neighbor is currently excavating property and the commission has agreed to revisit it in Spring 2014. -J. Nicoletti.

Violations

1. Chris Short (142 Hillsdale Road) violation: resolved

New Subdivisions and Site Plans

1. Garber PB # 707, Block 29, Lot 10.05 plan date: 11.25.13. Commission voted to deny plans as is. Need revisions as per J. McGowan memo to Joe Powell on 12.5.13.

Discussion

1. Acknowledgement of potential members.
2. Status: Colts Neck Level 1 Arboretum certification. Discussion tabled for now.
3. Commission discussed a homeowner that approached R. Bowden regarding a tree that fell on the shed. Commission reviewed procedures for tree/limb removal from Greenways. CN homeowners need to adhere to protocol and use online form provided by the Shade Tree Commission for this purpose necessary before a STC member does any inspection.
4. H. Hammond discussed yearly terms for voting for Commission Chairperson, with Co-Chairman to be next in line. Motion by H. Hammond to approve 3 years for Committee Chair, B. O'Neill 2nd the motion. Commission voted, 5 in favor of 3 years. Motion by E. Stivala to approve Co-Chairman to be placed as Chairperson after 3 years, J. Axelrod 2nd the motion. All in favor.

Motion to adjourn

By, H. Hammond, 2ndJ. Nicoletti. All in favor. Meeting adjourned 20:18.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anita O'Malley, *Secretary*
5, December 2013