

## **Township of Colts Neck, Shade Tree Commission Minutes of 01 March 2012 Meeting**

The Meeting was called to order at 1930 hours by Chairman James 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 – James Nicoletti, Jennifer Axelrod, Gordon Boak, Curtis McKittrick, Anita O’Malley, Ben O’Neill, Eileen Stivala

Staff Present – Julie McGowan, Landscape Architect; Curtis McKittrick, Secretary

### **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Motion by G. Boak, 2<sup>nd</sup> B. O’Neill, to accept minutes of previous meeting. All in favor.

### **Discussion**

In Committee Liaison Jarrett Engel’s absence, it was reported by James Nicoletti that Mr. Engel believes the proposed Tree Ordinance was supported by the Township Committee; and that the Department of Public Works was considering the possibility of hiring part-time employees for leaf pickup in the coming autumn. It was also reported by Mr. Nicoletti that Mr. Engel wanted input from the Commission, for an upcoming column he is to write for a local publication.

## **Infractions**

1. 72 Glenwood Drive- Owner clearcut a portion of adjacent greenway and planted with arborvitae. Rich Galinski will be investigating.

## **New Subdivisions and Site Plans**

1. PB No. 701, Colts Neck Golf Course: Proposed plans include landscaping around two small building additions to be built. It was noted by Mrs. McGowan that both additions and their landscaping, as proposed, would not be visible from any public highways. Motion to approve by C. McKittrick, 2<sup>nd</sup> G. Boak. All in favor.

2. PB No. 691A: Proposed plans include landscaping and a pond to be built throughout the front of the house. Motion to approve by G. Boak, 2<sup>nd</sup> C. McKittrick. All in favor.

## **New Business**

Mrs. O'Malley reported that the Commission's newly developed website was operational.

Mrs. O'Malley raised the possibility of working with local school students to raise awareness of the shade tree issues in the community, to which there was agreement among the Commission. Mrs. O'Malley offered to investigate the possibility and report back at the next meeting.

Mr. McKittrick asked that the Commission resolve to set a list of meeting dates for the upcoming 12 months. There was agreement among the Commission that such meetings would take place the first Thursday of every month except the month of July, 2012, during which the Commission would meet on the second Thursday.

Motion J. Nicoletti, 2<sup>nd</sup> G. Boak, that the Shade Tree Commission of the Township of Colts Neck resolve to meet at 1900 hours at 124 Cedar

Drive, Colts Neck NJ; on the first Thursday of every of the 12 months after March, 2012; except for the month of July, 2012, during which the Commission would meet on the second Thursday of the month. In favor, J. Nicoletti, J. Axelrod, G. Boak, C. McKittrick, A. O'Malley, B. O'Neill, E. Stivala. Opposed, none. Chairman Nicoletti declared that the motion had passed.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** BY B. O'NEILL, 2<sup>ND</sup> C. McKITTRICK. All in favor.

**MEETING ADJOURNED 2024.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Curtis McKittrick  
Secretary  
10 March, 2012