

NOTES FROM SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING OF JUNE 8, 2022

Members attending: Ellen Terry (ET), Bruce Wolf (BW), Scott D'Amico (SD) & Chris Porcello (CP)

Absent: Victoria Talyansky, Rene Peerboom, Eric Davis (liaison) & Lisa Rosati (Consultant)

VT opened meeting at 7:33 PM.

CP led meeting until his internet connection failed during consideration of the warehouse landscape plan.

On a motion by BW, seconded by SD, minutes of May 11 were approved.

Old Business from May 11 was reviewed. Kevin Abernethy printed 2 copies of Rutgers Rain Garden Manual for use by STC & EC in preparing rain garden grant for 2023. Hexa's application is still in process; not yet approved. STC comments have been sent to Hexa.

New Business:

Review of Landscape Plan for warehouse on Burnt Tavern Rd. After careful review of species list & number of plants, the Landscape Plan was found to be basically acceptable. BW did note that Leyland Cypress tend to be somewhat short-lived, but as the plan calls for only six, as opposed to 149 total evergreens, this may not be a significant drawback.

Possible DEP grant discussed. Twp. Just acquired a 100+ acre addition to Millstone Park, so it was felt that a firmer plan for the park should be in place prior to planning for an arboretum there. All present strongly agreed that a resiliency grant would be most useful for the Twp. at this time due to frequent power outages from downed trees.

On a motion by SD, seconded by BW, the meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry

Next Meeting: July 13, 2022

Adopted Date: September 14, 2022