Millstone Township Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes March 8, 2023 7:30 p.m.

The Millstone Township Shade Tree Commission meeting was held via Zoom.

Zoom Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6755709146?pwd=TGV4aXZ5RGZEdFJoNGxkYkJ3YVRYQT09

Attendees: Scott D'Amico (SD) Absent: None

Ellen Terry (ET)
Victoria Talyansky (VT).
Bruce Wolf (BW)
Steve Koester (SK)
Mary Beckish (MB)

Eric Davis (ED) Liason

Lisa Rosati (LR) (Consultant)

Meeting called to order @ 7:31 p.m. Motion VT / Second BW

Old Business

Minutes from 2/8/23 meeting approved. SK motion/BW seconded.

Arbor Day Celebration - Will be held on 4/28/23 at the Middle School and Millstone Park.

Middle School

- ED has obtained permission from Dr. Haas.
- Celebration with students will take place at 12:00PM.
- ED will reach out to school for planting location.
- SD will obtain tree and prepare site on 4/27/23.
- ED & ET will attend Arbor Day Celebration with students.

Millstone Park

- BW will donate and plant Sugar Maple tree.
- SK will reach out to local Cub Scout group to attend.
- Tentative time for celebration is 4:00PM
- BW, ED & MB will attend Arbor Day Celebration.

Rain Garden Project - ET has secured a location at Wagner Farm Park. ANJEC grant is due on April 17, 2023. ET will finalize the grant and submit with Dee Sinha. ET needs information from DPW including: DPW rate, estimated hours to complete and size of concrete pad. BW to assist ET with nursery. ET will submit a percolation test from Rutgers.

Route 524 – County road ROW update – ED will reach out to determine scope of project.

2023 Shade Tree Commission Budget – waiting on response from Melissa Peerboom and estimated cost of Rain Garden Project.

Millstone Park Arboretum – SD advised that the Township would prefer the arboretum to consist of trees planted along the walkway instead of having one large area of planting. STC also discussed a potential for a small planting area around a future gazebo or pavilion in addition to the walkway plantings.

Millstone Township Shade Tree Commission Facebook Page - Topics to be posted on the Facebook page were discussed. https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100089680700016

New Business

No New Business

Meeting Adjourned: 8:28 p.m. SK Motion / VT seconded

Next meeting: April 19, 2023

Adopted Date: April 19, 2023 SK Motion / BW seconded