

**Borough of River Edge  
Shade Tree Commission  
November 11, 2015**

**Under the Sunshine Law "adequate notice of this meeting has been made by sending notice on December 2014 to the The Record and The Ridgewood newspaper, by positioning on the bulletin board in the lobby in the Borough Hall and filing a Notice of the same with the Municipal Clerk.**

**Commencement 7:05 PM**

**Roll Call**

Jennifer Dougherty  
Margot Pohl  
Liz Stewart  
Henry Semmler  
Charlie Amorese  
Jim Bieber

**Absent**

Liz Anievas  
Kathleen Murphy, Councilwoman Liaison

Roll Call & October minutes have been approved.

**Resident**

**940 Summit Avenue - Mrs. Zemba**

Raised sidewalk, requesting that the tree and stump be removed. Mrs. Zemba indicated she was given a variance to put up a white fence on the front of her property; consequently curving a new sidewalk was not an option. We decided to take the tree down and the stump will be put on the list for removal. Mrs. Zemba said she was committed to replacing the sidewalk and would be in contact with us.

**165 Adams - Mr. & Mrs. Nattaner**

They would like to replace their drive way and indicated that there are tree roots elevating parts of their driveway and sidewalk. The town tree is located on the paper street adjacent to their home. They had concerns if they removed the roots the tree would be hazardous. We recommended time frame when the work should be completed and would do another site inspection.

**Budget Update**

Escrow Account - Jen will confirm numbers with Alan/Geeta.  
Final PO's were submitted and waiting to hear back on stump estimates.

**Construction Development**

YTD 31 bonds are on file and 3 have been settled.

Funds from 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Midland Avenue have been deposited for tree planting. Plans for Sanducci's have been reviewed and recommendations submitted for two trees. Planning Board recommendations – look into receiving deposits for tree replacements with no option to replant.

**Correspondence**

Pending violation notice for 608 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 19 Coles Ct. & 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue

**Training updates**

Liz has attended sidewalk meetings and 940 Summit Avenue was discussed.

**Tree Planting and Projects**

The 2015 Fall tree planting was postponed due to dry weather. The funds have been encumbered for 2016.

**Projects**

2015 Management Plan – our grant is still pending approval from the State.  
STC Brochure & On line forms – Jim is working on this.

**DPW**

Town wide tree pruning continues and work orders are being completed within 30 days. The delay has been due to leaf pick up

**Adjournment: 8:30 PM|**  
**Next Meeting: December 17, 2014**