

Borough of River Edge

Shade Tree Commission

December 15, 2016

Under the Sunshine Law "adequate notice of this meeting has been made by sending notice on December 2015 to The Record and The Ridgewood newspaper, by positioning on the bulletin in the lobby in the Borough Hall and filing a notice of the same with the Municipal Clerk.

Commencement 7:05 PM

Roll Call

Liz Sewart

Margot Pohl

Henry Semmler

Charlie Amorese

Resident: Nancy Chiang 25 Madison Ave.

Absent

Liz Anievas

Jennifer Dougherty

Jim Bieber

Kathleen Murphy, Councilwoman Liaison

Budget

Stump List – Alan Negreann and John Lynch met with Borough Clerk/Administrator of New Milford to explore the potential for a shared service agreement for stump removal. Will follow up with Alan and see when we should be receiving a proposal.

Grant - Green Communities Grant – 5 year management plan complete and P.O. have been submitted.

Part Time Secretary Proposal – 12/5/16 6pm Personnel Sub Committee meeting. Jennifer went and sat outside the meeting and was available for questions. We have not received an update from the meeting.

2017 Budget Request Form was submitted and we will be sending an amendment detailing our request since meetings are not being granted to review requests.

Violations: received funds for 874 Elm Avenue & 580 Kinderkamack Road. Received all funds from all claims on file.

Construction Development

380 The Fenway – construction damage to town tree documented. A violation will be sent to forfeit the \$2,016.27 bond and the tree will have to be removed.

Correspondence

Update - Memo October 4 from Alan Negreann– Removal of Tree at 140 Kinderkamack Road for sign installment – waiting for a response from the mayor and council.

Tree City USA application due 2/15/17

Meeting and Training

Management Plan approved by State and need to fill out reimbursement request forms for the Green Communities Grant.

EAB Training might be held in Paramus in February.

Projects

Eagle Scout Service Proposal - Matthew Haggerty - Tree Farm. Jennifer attended the work session on 10/17 to support Matthew's project. The council did not hear back from any other committees on this project. Waiting to hear when the project will officially start.

Boy Scouts -Andrew Campbell – follow up on mulch project

DPW

Arboretum sign – submitted a request for the sign to be cleaned.

Town wide pruning continues and work orders are being completed within 30 days, weather permitting.

Year to date Update numbers

Work orders – 213 - phone messages being checked weekly = up to date.

Tree pending for planting – 1,386+ vacant spots.

Stump list 128 sites, 2,336 (pending 2016 stump removal)

Adjournment: 8:10 PM

Next Meeting: January 19, 2016