

**Borough of River Edge  
Shade Tree Commission  
February 15, 2018**

**Under the Sunshine Law "adequate notice of this meeting has been made by sending notice on December 23, 2017 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 Stewart, Jennifer Dougherty, Henry Semler, Charlie Amorese, Daniel Garas 103 Valley, Henry Kwasink 390 5<sup>th</sup> Ave Absent Jim Bieber, Nancy Chiang & Councilman Papelo

**Budget**

**Main Budget** – 2018 Budget Request has been submitted.

**Open Space** – Liz, Margot and Jennifer attended the meeting on January 22, 2018.

**CSIP Grant 2017** – Planting plan was submitted to the State, waiting for planting plan approval.

**Arbor Day** – Ordered 500 Seedlings for Cherry Hill, Roosevelt, St. Peter's & the library for distribution to the residents.

**Stump List** – Henry is driving sites 2017.

**Part Time Secretary** – Need update have not received messages in a while.

**Tree City USA & Annual Management Plan** have been submitted to the Stage.

**Community Center** –Have not received any updates.

**Construction Development review**

**103 Valley** – Daniel Garas, builder/home owner would like us to re-evaluate the Sugar Maple again.

**309 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** – Henry Kwasink builder/home owner, reviewed plans and how to protect Zelkova.

**608 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** - Violation

**628<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** – 3 Tree Removals

**777 Bogert** – New bond

**STC Building Roof** – We were not aware of a request to take down the Shade Tree Building. Only request was to fix the roof. This was taken out of the budget to be taken down.

**Meeting and Training**

Executing & Understanding your **CSIP** Grant Agreement Webinar January 24<sup>th</sup> – Jennifer signed up.

**Projects** – Cherry Blossom Park inventory update, gates were locked.

**Correspondence**- NJ Tree Recovery Campaign, not enough time to fill out the grant and execute the plan.

**Website** – submitted updates and waiting for response from web master.

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

**Year to date numbers**

**Work orders** – 2018 - 12 ytd -, **Tree pending for planting** – #s need to be updated, **Stump list** - # need to be updated

**Adjournment:**

**Next Meeting:** March 15, 2018