

**Borough of River Edge
Shade Tree Commission
September 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 7:04 PM

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Liz Sewart
Jennifer Dougherty
Margot Pohl
Henry Semmler
Charlie Amorese

Absent

Kathleen Murphy, Councilwoman Liaison
Liz Anievas
Jim Bieber

Budget

CSIP Planting Grant – Denied, competitive grant, informed grants might be available 2017. Will follow up at the Shade Tree Federation Conference on October 28, 2016.

Stump List - received bids, will follow up with DPW estimates and could combine work. The 2015 Stump list has been completed.

Part Time Secretary Proposal – reviewed needs and memo to submit for discussion with the Mayor and Council.

Open Space – discussed hiring someone to water newly planted trees in parks.

Construction Development

38 Bonds on file, 7 settled
233 Beech Ct. – 2 year review
940 Summit Ave. – new sidewalk has been completed.

Correspondence

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Meeting and Training

NJSTF Conference October 28- 29, 2016
Liz, Jennifer, Margot & Henry will attend. Need to see if anyone from the DPW will be attending.

Tree Planting 2016

Need to get estimates for tree plaques for the Arboretum.

Planting in the parks was reviewed with the DPW and will set up a meeting to review with Recreation. Gathering estimates for trees, sites need to be marked as well as sending letters to residents informing them on the planting.

Projects

Final draft of the 2015 Management Plan is completed and needed to be reviewed by the commission. Review additional details to be added to preserving trees during construction.

DPW

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

Year to day

Work orders – 172 plus 30 phone messages.

Tree pending for planting – 1,386 vacant spots.

Stump list 128 sites, 2,336.

Adjournment: 8:30 PM

Next Meeting: October 20, 2016 at 7pm