Shade Tree Commission of Radnor Township Wayne, Pennsylvania Minutes of the Meeting of April 21, 2021

The Shade Tree Commission of Radnor Township at 6:30 PM in the Radnorshire Room of the Radnor Township Municipal Building, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087

Present: Virginia Hart, James Gibbons, Matt Golas, Frank Perras; Seth Reeser; Eileen Brett, Chair, Clare Griton **Absent:**

Eileen Brett called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Minutes – March 16 & and March 17, 2021

Approved 6-0

Virginia Hart, James Gibbons, Matt Golas, Frank Perras; Seth Reeser; Eileen Brett, Chair

Permits

A. GP Application 203016 15 Welwyn

- Peter Cokonis represented the applicant and reviewed plans
- 55 Trees to be removed
- 72 Replacements required (22 should be large canopy)

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission motion: to approve to have Zelcova count as 2 trees

Approved 5-2

James Gibbons, Matt Golas, Frank Perras; Seth Reeser; Clare Griton Opposed: Virginia Hart, Eileen Brett, Chair

• 15ft Cornous does not count as two trees

Approved 7-0.

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• 1 tree fee in lieu of: \$250

Approved 7-0.

James Gibbons, Matt Golas, Frank Perras; Seth Reeser; Clare Griton; Virginia Hart, Eileen Brett, Chair

Plan should be amended, James and Matt will review off line

Approved 6-1

James Gibbons, Matt Golas, Frank Perras; Seth Reeser; Clare Griton; Virginia Hart, Eileen Brett, Chair

B. GP Application 203404 92 S Ithan

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommendation: approved offline

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Old Business

- Shade Tree Ordinance
- Fenimore Woods Park Restoration Project
 - Eileen updated the commission on the project
 - Tammy Cohen reviewed the plans
 - Replacements is off by 78 small 16 large
 - There is a petition being circulated by the residents

Public Comment

- Christina Peters Concerned about the many years until trees would mature. Would like to see a redesign the plans.
- Camrin Azzarano- Willow Ave concerned about the number of healthy trees being removed.
 Residents state that they did not know about the project. With many parks in Radnor being
 childrens parks, Camrin would like to see Fenimore Park to be a nature park. Camrin would
 like to see the pavilion replaced. She would like to see less trees being removed. Would
 rather see plantings, large boulders rather than tree removal.
- Paul Vernisi- Resident People love the park for it's nature. Would like to see the township reconsider the plans and come up with an alternative plan.
- Matthew Marshall 228 Walnut How many more canopy trees will be removed in the township? Consider putting a stop to the plan now and leave Fenimore woods as is.
- Christina Peters Recalls that in 2019 it was a different proposed project.
- Jeff Pearsall West Beech Tree Lane Was not aware of the magnitude of the plan. Would like to table the plans.

Tammy Cohen suggests that the plans go back to the parks and recreations board.

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommendation: Hit the pause button, take it back to Parks and Recreation, minimize the change and change what is only critical.

Approved 7-0

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New Business

- 2021 Budget
- Stormwater Intersection project
 - Observed the contractor driving over the root system of several trees
 - 31 and 33 to be removed 12 trees to be replaced
 - Township will add 10 trees to the fall tree planting.

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommendation: Come back next month with a new plan

Approved 7-0

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• Bare Root Letters

Tree Removed without Approval *None at this time*

Clearing Permit

None at this time

Hazardous Trees

506	Woodland Court	27" Tulip Poplar, 18" Sassafras
513	N Wayne Ave	2-Tulip Poplars 40"DBH and 41"DBH
840	Lesley	46" DBH Tulip
201	St Davids Ave	40" DBH Black Locust
4	Sunny Hill	Polar & Oak (No DBH submitted)
502	Oak Grove	36" DBH Chestnut Oak
610	Conestoga	5 Sweet Gums 28" DBH
388	Yorkshire	34" DBH White Pine

Trees removed by Radnor Township

Non at this time

Next meeting May 19, 2021

Meeting Adjourned. Respectfully Submitted, Patricia Sherwin