

**Shade Tree Commission of Radnor Township
Wayne, Pennsylvania
Minutes of the Meeting of June 16, 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: James Gibbons, Frank Perras, Seth Reeser; Eileen Brett, Chair, Clare Griton; Matt Golas

Absent: Virginia Hart

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

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Approved 4-0

Frank Perras, Seth Reeser; Clare Griton; Matt Goals

Abstained: James Gibbons

Permits

A. GP Application 201017-29 Ivy Lane

- Bob Miller, Pohlig homes reviewed plans
- 36” Beech tree originally slated as being saved, they realized the root system was compromised and removed.

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission motion: revise plans to show the tree table for all trees to be removed, compensatory trees, what’s required, and how you will comply. Applicant to come back next month

Approved 5-0

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B. GP Application 203947 739 Roberts Road

- Heather Gill reviewed plans
- Removing 6 trees, 4 of the 6 are heritage. 30 new trees to be planted, 16 being large canopy
- One of the Heritage trees is hazardous.

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission motion: Hazardous tree report to be submitted by applicant for the 1 Poplar deemed hazardous.

Approved 5-0

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C. Land Development Eastern University

- Dave Falcone represented applicant and updated commission on the project
- Rob Lambert reviewed plans
- Johnathan Alderson and Jesse Forrester reviewed the changes from the previous plan.
- 384 trees proposed to be planted

Public Comment

James Higgins – Does not understand how we value man made slopes more than the value of trees.

Paul Vernisi – has the same concerns as James Higgins

Gretchen Groebel – Radnor Conservancy- she is concerned about the amount a trees being removed. Would like the STC to be concerned about the amount of heritage trees being removed within the township. Will

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these new trees be protected within the HOA space? Would a homeowner be allowed to remove 5 trees per year or would they be protected by the HOA?

Sarah Pilling – Garrett Hill – likes the plan but would like to know if sugar maples are an appropriate tree to be planted. Would like the applicant to consider solar energy.

Barbara Kraus – 200 block of Walnut Ave – Is much happier with this plan vs the original plan

Camrin Azzarano – Would like to know how the neighbors input make a difference in Zoning? Who is responsible for heritage trees that were not intended to be removed end up being removed in the end?

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission Motion: Increase 10 trees to 4 inch; watering will be covered under the HOA plan **Approved 6-0**

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D. Land Development 250 King of Prussia

- Bob Tucker represented the applicant.
- Alex Tweedie reviewed the landscaping plan
- 21 removed -23 proposed replacement trees
 1. 17 large 6 ornamental
 2. Street trees along King of Prussia: 22 trees required – 7 existing along King of Prussia Road, Radnor trail is planting 1 tree and proposing 3 additional along King of Prussia Road. This is 11 of the 22 required.
 3. Radnor Chester road – 14 required 4 existing; proposed 3 additional. This is 7 of the 14 required.
- Applicant is looking for a waiver for the additional trees required
- Seth suggested planting trees where the existing shrubs are now on Radnor Chester Road

Shade Tree Commission motion: to approve page 1 of the plan with respect to the tree removal and replacement plan. Tree protection will need to be updated on the plan **Approved 6-0**

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Shade Tree Commission recommendation: Street Trees-resubmit new plans with detailed street tree plans showing additional street trees **Tabled 6-0**

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Public Comment: none at this time

Old Business

- *Fall planting*
 - Budget is \$5,600
- Ordinance Update
 - To be discussed in the July meeting

New Business

Public Comment

Tree Removed without Approval

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*400 Yorkshire
815 Parkes Run*

Clearing Permit
None at this time

Hazardous Trees

152	Biddulph Road	46" Oak
10	Forest Road	36" Tulip Poplar

Trees removed by Radnor Township
Non at this time

Next meeting July 21, 2021

*Meeting Adjourned.
Respectfully Submitted,
Patricia Sherwin*