

**Shade Tree Commission of Radnor Township  
Wayne, Pennsylvania  
Minutes of the Meeting of May 17, 2020**

*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:** Eileen Brett, Chair, Virginia Hart, Clare Griton, James Gibbons, Matt Golas, Frank Perras

**Absent:** Seth Reeser

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

Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**Approved 6-0**

*Eileen Brett, Chair, Virginia Hart, Clare Griton, James Gibbons, Matt Golas, Frank Perras*

**Permits**

A. **GP 200436** 111 Banbury

- Eric Dorn homeowner reviewed plans
- Three Trees are being removed, two are being relocated. No trees are required to be planted.

**The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommendation:** **Approved 6-0**

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B **GP 200598** 20 Aldwyn

- Kevin Noller, homeowner reviewed plans

**The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommendation:** **Approved 6-0**

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C **SALDO 19-S-08** 117 Radnor Chester Road

- Patrick Stuart and Scott Emerson reviewed revised plans and amended tree table as requested per the Shade Tree Commission from the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommendation:** **Approved 6-0**

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D **Villanova CEER Building**

- Mike Kissenger, Brad Thorton, Marilou Smith presented and reviewed plans
- Focusing on replacement trees to buffer the college and Lancaster Ave. Rain gardens and underground basins will be used.
- 14 Heritage trees are being removed
  - Tree replacements
    - 121 total 64 large canopy are being proposed
- Tree Protection needs to be shown on the plans

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**E 131 Runnymede vs HOA for Lisa Way**

- John Hosbach explained the issue of the complaint and is asking for Commission for suggestions on how to move forward.
- Complainant is looking for us to enforce the ordinance
- Matt Golas suggested that we request that the homeowner remove all the bamboo.

**The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommendation:** John, Matt, and Steve to speak to the resident. Explain our ordinance to the resident and ask the resident to submit a plan within 90 day.

**Approved 6-0**

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- Commissioner Borowski requested that the Ordinance be posted to the Shade Tree Website. – Th e

**Tree Removal without approval/ Clearing Permits**

**Tree Removed without Approval**

**Clearing Permit**

107 Lantoga

- Collin Whalen reviewed plans and explained the reason for the removal of the trees
- Removing 6 non heritage trees (5 Spruce, 1 Dogwood), Replacement of 6 trees (3 Dogwood and 3 Maple)

**2020 Goals**

- a. Finalize 2020 Goals
  - i. Proactive Resident & Business Communication-**Table**
  - ii. Goal #1: Fall Tree Planting
    - a. Ginny and Frank will work together on this project.
    - b. 140 trees for the fall
  - 2. Do we want to consider new pits along Lancaster Avenue?
  - 3. How does the cancellation of our Spring Planting impact the Fall Planting?
    - a. Split funds between township projects and the public
  - iii. 2020 Goal Finalization-**Tabled**

**New Business**

- a. R2 Meter Bridge Construction – clearing and replanting plan review and Shade Tree Commission input – John Hosbach-**Tabled**
- b. South Wayne Municipal Parking Lot – planting plan review and Shade Tree Commission input – Steve Norcini - **Tabled**
- c. Radnor Township Amendment to the Tree Ordinance - **Tabled**
- d. Tree removal on Township Property; corner of Conestoga and Sproul Roads
  - a. John Hosbach explained issues
  - b. 25 dead ash trees 19 will fall onto roadway.
  - c. Commissioner Borowski is concerned and suggests that we let the residents know what is happening before the removal of any trees at this property
    - i. Steve will ask PIO to post on our web site and let all Commissioners know.
    - ii. James suggested putting out communication and use trees from the fall tree planting

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**The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommendation:** Approve with consideration to prioritize in the fall planting and/or Arbor Day and reaching out to the neighbors and Commissioner Enderle prior to starting the project. **Approved 6-0**

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- e. STC Operations during these COVID times - **Tabled**

**Old Business**

476 Gateway Project Update, Steve Norcini - **Tabled**

**Harford trail** – Steve Norcini and John Hosbach reviewed plans and tree replacements (Dogwood, black gum, river birch, willow oak and additional whips).

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**Emlen Tunell Park**

- Steve Norcini gave an overview of the plan
- Steve is requesting the commission for tree replacement suggestions
- 9 trees removed, two were dead.
  - 9 large canopy trees will be planted (3 black gum, 3 hackberry, and 3 yellowwood)

**The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommendation:** **Approved 6-0**

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Tree Assessment Matrix Update – John Hosbach - **Tabled**

Tree Trenches – Jack Larkin - **Tabled**

**Hazardous Trees**

150	King of Prussia Road	Pin Oak
327	Midland Ave	47"DBH Silver Maple

**Trees removed by Radnor Township**

5/19/2020	641 Radnor Valley Dr.	22" Maple
5/19/2020	38 Aldwyn Ln	22" Cherry
5/27/2020	The Willows	44" Ash; two - 24" Ash
	Storm damage – over 50 trees	

- Interim meeting Scheduled for July 29, 2020

*Meeting Adjourned.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Patricia Sherwin*