Shade Tree Commission of Radnor Township Wayne, Pennsylvania Minutes of the Meeting of January 24, 2018

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

Jack Millerick, Chair, Clare Girton, Matt Golas, Virginia Hart, Eileen Brett

Also Present: John Rockwell Hosbach, Township Arborist; Stephen F. Norcini, P.E., Township Engineer; Patricia Sherwin, Engineering Administrative Assistant.

Absent

Jeff Boogay

Jack Millerick called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Election of Officers: Eileen Brett Chair, Jack Millerick, Vice Chair Approved 5-0

Meeting Minutes for December 2017 Approved 5-0

New Business

A. **GP17-214** 111 Cambria

Pool

384cy of dirt to stay on site

0 trees removed

Michael Neilio of Sylvan Pools represented Owners. No trees will be removed but tree
protection will be provided for existing trees.

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommended

Approval 5-0

Jack Millerick, Chair, Clare Girton, Matt Golas, Virginia Hart, Eileen Brett

B. **GP 18-002** 388 Yorkshire Road

New Residence

800cy fill/cut to stay on site

4 trees removed

Matthew Paolino represented the Owners. Mr. Paolino explained they will be removing 4
trees and remaining trees will have tree protection. Replacements are not showing on plan
but the homeowner is planning to plant new trees.

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommended

Approval 5-0

Jack Millerick, Chair, Clare Girton, Matt Golas, Virginia Hart, Eileen Brett

C. **GP 2016-04-D** 145 King of Prussia Road

New Development

- Mr. Steve Norcini, P.E. gave a brief synopsis to the Commission.
- Ms. Grace Herman, from Jonathan Alderson Landscape Architects represented the Owners.
 Ms. Herman discussed the tree removal plan and the proposed concept master plan.
 - o 172 trees will be removed and 219 trees for replacement

- o They have tried to save as many heritage trees as they can.
- Mr. Matt Golas noted that the plans did not show a Pin Oak on the plan and would like it shown on the plans. He also stressed the importance of the tree protection is up before demolition.

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommended: Applicant should prune the remaining exiting trees, update the plan to note the additional oak with the tree posing with the tree fencing

Approval 5-0

Jack Millerick, Chair, Clare Girton, Matt Golas, Jeff Boogay, Virginia Hart, Eileen Brett

Contractors: Mr. Norcini suggested sending out letters with a copy of our ordinance to all local Tree Service contractors. He also suggested adding an article/notice in the Radnor Magazine

Trees Removed without Approval

Pine Tree Road – Mr. Steve Norcini will be sending out a letter to the contractor.

Clearing Permits

None at this time

- A Proposed Radnor Bamboo Ordinance
 - Mr. Millerick reviewed the suggested changes to the Ordinance
 - Remove all of section C and D and replace it with: "Prohibition. Upon the effective date of this provision the planting or growing of Bamboo shall be prohibited within the Township. Any person who there-after plants or calls us to be planted, Bamboo within the Township shall be deemed in violation of this section, and shall be subject to such penalties as are set forth hereunder."
 - Commission suggested striking the word growing and grows to planting of new bamboo

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission recommended: Agree with the suggested replacement for Section C & D providing they strike the words associated with growing or grow

Approved 5-0

Old Business

- A Proposed Tree Species for Shade Tree Ordinance
 - Mr. Golas explained how the current tree list is out of date and there are many trees on the list that aren't in the trade. Also, due to climate change, a lot of trees are flourishing in Radnor that 20 years ago would not have and trees that would have been okay 20 years ago are suffering.
 - With the assistance of John Hosbach, Township Arborist, Mr. Golas came up with a list of trees and produced a template where it was user friendly.
 - Mr. Norcini explained that in order to implement this list, it would be an amendment to the Shade
 Tree Ordinance and would need to be submitted to the Township Solicitor and then to the Township
 Manager. The final step would be to present the change to the Board of Commissioners.
- B Shade Tree Check List
 - Mr. Golas explained that the current list does not agree with the current ordinance (tree replacement numbers, tree size etc.)
 - New checklist will be posted and become part of the new Grading Permit package

Motion to approve Master Shade Tree Plan 5-0

Jack Millerick, Chair, Clare Girton, Matt Golas, Virginia Hart, Eileen Brett

New Business

None at this time

Hazardous Trees

The Radnor Township Shade Tree Commission

Approved 5-0

Jack Millerick, Clare Girton, Matt Golas, Jake Abel, Eileen Brett

A 204 W Wayne Ave

46.5 DBH 90' Sycamore

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Sherwin