

**Shade Tree Commission of  
Radnor Township  
Wayne, Pennsylvania  
January 28, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 PM.

Gus Feudale moved to appoint Jack Millerick as Chair. The motion was seconded and passed. Jack Millerick moved to appoint Gus Feudale as Vice-Chair. The motion was seconded and passed.

Also in attendance were members: Michael Drennan, Doug McCone, Jen McGowan and Pat Gillan. Township Arborist John Hosbach and Steve Norcini, P.E. Director of Public Works were in attendance. Commission member Randy Hope was absent.

503 Conestoga Road Regrade back yard 270 CY of dirt (keep on site)	GP # 14-193	Approved
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521 County Line Road Patio and walkway 70 CY of dirt (keep off site)	GP # 14-208	Approved
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The 36" and 10" Maples are already down due to storm damage

539 Brandymede Road Swimming Pool & Terrace 165 CY of dirt (keep on site)	GP # 13-171	Approved
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216 Upland Way Swimming Pool 45 CY of dirt (take off site)	GP # 15-03	Conditional Approval
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A (PLS) professional land surveyor from Pennsylvania needs to supply a signed and sealed plan  
Submit revised plans to the Engineering Department – no need to return to Shade Tree

Ardrossan Development 807 Newtown Road Phase 1 Infrastructure Improvements	GP # 15-13	Approved
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Ardrossan Grading Permit Concept Plans Lot 1-9 and Lot 1-10		Conditional Approval
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These lots will be submitted in the future as a lot consolidation plan. Mr. Norcini requested that Momenee & Assoc. place the waiver request for Shade Tree on any GP submissions for properties that are open lots and that show no impact to any trees or any other sites. Tree protection fencing detail being used shall be shown where required. The Township Engineer and Mr. Norcini will make the determinations on each Grading Permit submitted for open lots in the future. Revise the plans accordingly when submitting for the Grading Permit.

Ardrossan Development  
Tree Protection Discussion

Approved

Orange snow fence is approved as tree protection fence for this project in lieu of the current chain linked fence requirement, but is in accordance with the old standard, and that this is primarily open land with few, if any, trees. Tree preservation signs will be placed along the interior road every 60'. Tree preservation signs will be placed along the main road every 120' as approved by the Township Arborist.

500 W. Beechtree Lane  
Construct SFD  
For construction of new SFD  
539 CY of dirt (take off site)  
Remove 9 trees Plant 20 trees

CP # 15-01  
GP # 15-10

Conditional Approval

The Township Arborist will inspect the site after excavation to inspect the 46" Poplar. Install tree protection fence along the property line to protect the neighbor's trees. Root disturbance shall be performed with clean cuts and deep root fertilization and this note shall be added to the plan. Add replacement trees to the formula for the 40" Poplar or post funds accordingly to the Big Tree Fund.

802 Castlefinn Lane  
Remove 1 32" tree next to the house  
Remove 1 46" tree by the fence (dropping limbs)  
Homeowner wishes to replant 2 trees

CP # 15-02

Conditional Approval

Two (2) trees will be planted. Homeowner will contact Engineering to post \$ 2,500.00 in the Big Tree Fund to cover the remaining required 10 trees. The Township Arborist will inspect the Oak and the condition of the trees as well as verify the surrounding heavily wooded area. If the tree is healthy, then mitigation accordingly, otherwise it can be verified as hazardous.

638 Malin Road  
Remove 1 37" Ash Tree

GP # 15-06

Approved

617 Portledge Drive  
Swimming Pool  
120 CY of dirt (take off site)

GP # 15-09

Approved

Villanova University (Preliminary) 2014-D-07  
800 E. Lancaster Ave  
Construction of 1,135 bed student housing in six buildings with associated retail space under CICD Use and phase construction

Conditional Approval

42 trees will be removed. 315 new trees will be planted, which is greater than the required amount. Valley Forge Elms should be changed to Princeton Elms and noted on the plans. The applicant will consider larger caliper street trees

Public Comment –

Jim Schneller is concerned about the canopy of trees of adding them along the athletic field. He also questioned removing heritage trees for new construction throughout the Township.

Radnor Township Parking Lot  
25 trees to be removed  
22 trees to be planted  
(reviewed with Twp. Arborist)

Approved

The Township Arborist will assist with a design build for the tree species, etc. after the ground work is complete for the trees. Once the species are determined and placed on the plan, they will return to the Shade Tree Commission.

Steve Norcini announced that the Tree Revitalization Program has been successful and they are looking to do more plantings in 2015.

***Hazardous Tree Removals  
Approved for removal by Township Arborist***

237 Atlee Road	
42" Double-trunked Ash	¾ dead, top leader decayed
31" Ash	heavy lean, homeowner worried tree could fall
32" Tulip Poplar	no defect, client worried limbs may fall-has lost several trees in last year Need Township Arborist to advise

6 replacement trees are to be provided

302 Chamounix Road	
Maple	Township tree required removal

350 Highland Lane

30: Oak 253 Matsonford Road 62" Norway Maple	Tree split by lightning strike  Decay in crouch, support cables had failed, fear of falling onto roadway
700 Southwinds Drive (6) White Pines	Replacement trees (3) with (2) large canopy required

Homeowner will place \$ 250.00 in the Big Tree Fund as approved by Township Arborist

***Trees removed without Township notification***

864 Goshen Road	Pictures of bases taken after trees were removed Township Arborist requested pictures <i>before</i> tree removal – not received
(2) felled trees from a storm	
12" Cherry	Overhanging/Leaning towards house – bottom girdled by soil 40% decay
18" Tulip Poplar	1 <sup>st</sup> 60' severely decayed – 50% decayed – split & leaning towards house
17" Tulip Poplar	Hollow @ base – over 50% decayed – leaning towards house
20" Beech	Damaged 1 leader bolted – hollow base filled with concrete
20" Ash	Over 50% decayed, hollow, dead
26" Red Maple	Dead/hollow 65%
28" Tulip	Hollow @ base 65% - leaning towards house
30" Tulip	Hollow 40% decay – storm damaged – wind shear
30" Beech	Tree infected with Beech Canker – overhanging deck & hollow
32" Tulip	Hollow @ base 65% - leaning towards house
40" Red Oak	Severely storm damaged – large area of decay 2/3 up – 25% decayed
56" Beech	Entire base infected with Beech Canker – tree severely decayed – Majority of tree dead

The trees were removed without a permit or proper notification to the Township. Mr. Norcini will correspond with the Tree Company and homeowner advising them of the penalties and tree planting requirements for this property.

682 Malin Road Removal of a 36" tree	No Township notification
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Pictures provided were viable and approved