



## RADNOR TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING SUMMARY

August 30, 2012

The comments noted below are the Shade Tree Commission's views only. Clearing and Grading Permits are issued by the Engineering Department, which reviews plans AFTER approval by the Shade Tree Commission.

In attendance were members: Howard Holden, James Ward, Douglas McCone, Patrick Gillan, Steve Norcini and Robert Zienkowski.

207 Ashwood Rd Dredge Pond
1,800 CY of dirt to be moved
Photos of site and proposed work were presented

Approved

517 Atterbury Rd. Revised plans GP 12-09
Raze exiting dwelling & construct new dwelling
Move 500 CY of dirt and keep on site
7 trees to be removed – 8 trees to be planted

Conditional Approval

Mike Ruffo and Mike Bowker (Momenee) appeared on behalf of the applicant Mr. Norcini had questions regarding the sanitary line and the stormwater system still appear to be in very close proximity to the outer edges of the drip lines of two major trees in the front yard. The shape of the stormwater management system and the location of the sanitary sewer line need to both be changed and altered away from the drip lines of the trees. The sewer pipe should connect to the main and not the manhole. Submit revised plans to the township engineer. Bring the tree protection fence all the way around the oak and maple all the way to the street and along the driveway as well.

3. 1300 Eagle Rd Revised plans GP 12-107 Tabled Eastern University

Construction of loop road through campus

Requirement of land development for Student Union Bldg.

2,500 CY of dirt to be moved

29 trees to be removed – 50 trees to be planted

Max Long, (AEC) and applicant Carl Altomare appeared

Any Elms that are to be replaced need to be replaced with disease resistant species. The angle of the bridge was questioned with respect to the large tree near the gym. The applicant was asked to look into swinging the bridge more to the west to save the 26"

Ash. Mr. Norcini suggested that Karen McManuels (AEC), who could not attend the meeting, show the township cross sections of the bridge. It was suggested that the applicant return next month with the cross section drawings as well as the impact on the trees and grading. Jim ward suggested a site visit. However, if the committee met on site, a full meeting would have to be announced as a full shade tree commission meeting. If the culvert were to be moved, they should return so that everyone can view the plans. It was suggested to slide the culvert to northwest. A date would have to be set and a legal announcement would have to be made notifying everyone of a full site visit with the shade tree commission members and numerous staff before the next regularly scheduled shade tree commission meeting. After careful consideration, it was decided to put off the site visit until after the September's shade tree meeting when the applicant will return with revised plans.

## 4. 615 Newtown Rd

## Discussion on concept plan

8-lot subdivision

Land planner, Joe Orsatti, presented the project which will be submitted to the Planning Commission at some time in the future. Applicant, Alex Wasilov, detailed his request to construct a cul-de-sac private road consisting of 8 single family lots. Planning Commission has already viewed the concept plan. His plan is to protect as many trees as they can and to preserve the natural environment. When existing trees are shown on the plans, the commission will be able to better make a determination; however, they suggest a plan that shows keeping as many trees as possible. The shade tree members support the concept of utilizing a smaller front yard setback

## **Old Business**

Mr. Holden announced that the Shade tree ordinance is still under review. He appreciates the view points of the other Boards and Commissions; however, the revision has already been put together with professional advice and feels the ordinance is relatively in all a very good ordinance as it stands. He still has a few areas of concern and will forward them back to the township at his earliest convenience. Recommendation should be forthcoming in the next two weeks.

New Business - None

Hazardous Tree Reports

Valley Forge Military Academy 1001 Eagle Road 32" Red Oak 50% dead and signs of Oak Leaf Scorch 36" Pin Oak 50% dead and signs of Oak Leaf Scorch 32" and 36"

The meeting adjourned as there was no more business before the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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