

# **Bernards Township Shade Tree Commission**

## **July 19, 2023**

**Call to Order** at 7:00 PM

### **Roll Call:**

**Present:** Randy Santoro, Kate Creegan, Al Werner, Jack Gray, Nick Fetchko, Tom Nicoletti

**Absent:** Gregory Axt, Cindy Aiken, Frank Goodhart, Jim Baldassare

### **Previous Month's Minutes**

- approved

### **Bills/Correspondence**

- Resident on Lafayette Ln with problem tree – Tom talked to him, we will remove it.

### **Arbor Day / Charter Day**

- Next Charter Day will be May 18, 2024

### **Education Report**

- Received letter from Arbor Day Foundation about CEU's.
- Shade Tree Federation Conference will be held Oct 26-27 in Cherry Hill.

### **Tree Removals/Prunings/Plantings**

- Tom mentioned no new plantings, but plenty of live trees coming down with the recent storms. 47 Ash trees removed from Pleasant Valley Park; 32 from Dunham Park; trees on Cherry Lane & Lafayette will be removed soon.
- Al mentioned trees on Spring Valley Blvd that he is concerned about, might be out of ROW, Tom will take a look.

### **Public Comments**

- none.

### **Old Business**

- Memo to Zoning Board of Adjustment, Randy received some suggestions/comments from members. He also included a list of trees not recommended; Randy will also sent the "resume list" to Engineering as requested. Randy will finalize and send to Judy to forward to Cyndi Kiefer.

### **New Business**

- Kate asked when would be a good time to discuss updating the Charter Day materials, we will discuss early in 2024.

### **Commissioners Zones:**

- o 1 Cindy
- o 2 Randy, Kate
- o 3 Randy

- 4 Jack
- 5 Al
- 6 Jack
- 7 Nick
- 8 Greg

Adjournment – 7:45 PM  
Next meeting – Sept 13, 2023

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Judy O’Connell**  
**Secretary**