

Bernards Township Shade Tree Commission

January 11, 2023

Call to Order at 7:00 PM

Roll Call:

Present: Randy Santoro, Cindy Aiken, Gregory Axt,
Kate Creegan, Al Werner, Nick Fetchko

Absent: Frank Goodhart, Jim Baldassare, Tom Nicoletti, Jack Gray.

Election of 2023 Officers

- Randy Santoro Chair; Al Werner Vice Chair; Al Werner appointed to the Tree Protection Committee

Public Meeting Statement

- Not read

Previous Month's Minutes

- approved

Bills/Correspondence

- Invoice for Randy's Master Ecologist Course from Duke Gardens approved (\$350).

Arbor Day / Charter Day

- Arbor Day – tree give away is available again, Randy will send request form – last Friday in April, hope to have same arrangements as last year at the Environmental Education Center.
- Judy will prepare purchase order for anticipated supplies.

Education Report

- Randy explained the Master Ecologist Course which begins 2/11.
- Explained Core Training and CEU requirements to Nick.

Tree Removals/Prunings/Plantings

- Update from Tom – updates from the Windshield surveys of Zones 5 & 6.

Public Comments

- none.

Old Business

- updated zone assignments due to resignations of Linda & Scott..

New Business

- discussed ideas for sharing information with the public – like the programs we have had at the Library for Emerald Ash Borer (pre Covid).

Commissioners Zones:

- 1 Cindy
- 2 Randy, Kate
- 3 Randy
- 4 Jack
- 5 Al
- 6 Jack
- 7 Nick
- 8 Greg

Adjournment – 8:15 PM

Next meeting – February 15, 2023 (in Warren Craft Room until further notice!)

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy O’Connell
Secretary