

SHADE TREE COMMISSION
Demarest Borough Hall
7:30PM

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

May 5, 2022

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Linda Cetta opened the meeting at 7:35 pm with the following announcement: PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING: The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey have been satisfied by the inclusion of the date, time and place of this regular meeting and notice of regular meeting was posted at Borough Hall, was mailed to The Star Ledger and The Record and was filed with the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Demarest on April 18,2022

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Roll Call: Present: LC, MN, JR, JL, AE, MH. Absent EH

2. Approval of minutes: Motion to approve March 3, 2022, Minutes, 1st JL, 2nd AE

3. Reports: Most hazardous trees have been removed by DPW and O&R. All stumps ground by DPW and sod and seed will be put down where the stumps were.

4. Old Business: LC met with prosecutor regarding 19 Pine Terrace, 20 Country Club Way, and 23 Anderson Ave. New Violations were issued to 8 Blanche and 115 Lenox Avenue. Triangle Perennials, shrubs, flowers will be planted. The shrubs will be planted in the fall 8ft Atlas Blue Cedar and Crepe Myrtles. Suggestion made to investigate creating rules if a builder is in violation of the Shade Tree Ordinance be suspended to build until situation is resolved. County Road School 3 trees were planted. Grant was applied for to help restore Everett Road Cemetery. Will discuss if Grant is approved. Shade Tree has Tree City USA status. Articles can be sent to Lee for the Facebook page.

5. New Business: Frank DeCarlo Arborist/Certified Tree Expert will be appointed to inspect trees for the Borough of Demarest at \$65.00 a site. Frank DeCarlo to give a lecture at an open public meeting combined with the Nature Center. The Nature Center and The Shade Tree Commission will be proactive in planting seedlings in The Nature Center. JR started the Adopt a Tree Program. Small sketch books were provided. A discussion about roots, canopy, etc. Tentative plans for a booth at the Octoberfest where JR will hand out Perennials. Change in meeting time from 7:30 to

7:00PM. The vote was 4-1 in favor motion by JL 2nd by JR. Question raised as to how we protect trees or shrubs in ROW only. MH will seek answer.

6. Open to the Public:

7. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting by AE, 2nd by JL. The meeting closed at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted, Lee Campbell Shade Tree Secretary