

SHADE TREE COMMISSION
BOROUGH OF DEMAREST

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 4, 2023, 7:00 PM

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 in the annual schedule and notice of regular meetings of this Commission. Such annual schedule and notice of regular meetings is posted at Borough Hall, was mailed to the Record and Star Ledger, and was filed with the Borough Clerk of Demarest on April 22, 2023.

The meeting was opened by Chairperson Linda Cetta at 7:00pm.

Present: Linda Cetta, Maureen Neville, Ronnie Friedman, Faye Sloan, Alan Epstein, Joyce Lustbader

Absent: Edwin Herning, Mary Lynne Hamilton

Approval of minutes for March 2, 2023. Joyce Lustbader 2nd Maureen Neville

Old Business: Noncompliance with the Court order violation, Eric Place due back in Court on May 11, 2023. The electronic board is permanently shut off, ST's Facebook Page is on hold. Arbor Day, Seedlings, and the ordinance to be advertised in Mayor Berstein's Newsletter. Cemetery project: DPW will remove the old bushes and replant new bushes that are Deer and salt resistant. Shade Tree Commission will purchase new bushes.

New Business: Discussion on changes to Ordinance 1084-20 presented by Council Person Daryl Fox. Temporary budget and Escrow account were discussed. 30 Trees planted by DPW. Go to bid for tree planting for the Fall 2023 Contractor to plant trees. LC and JL met with Mayor Berstein to discuss DPW receiving training in stump grinding. The tree planting letter needs to be less aggressive regarding tree planting.

Motion to adjourn: Alan Epstein 1st Ronnie Friedman 2nd. The meeting closed at 7:54pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Campbell Shade Tree Secretary