

Shade Tree Commission Meeting
held on April 2, 2013 in the
Municipal Center

Present:

Joe Allegro, Chairman
Doug Kurjian
Louise Reich
John Stokesbury
Jack Erhard, Consultant

The meeting came to order at 7:30 p.m. and the following statement was read: "This is a regular meeting of the Shade Tree Commission of the Borough of Haworth. I am informed by the clerk that adequate public notice has been provided by mailing notice to the Press Journal and The Record, by posting a notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center, and by mailing notice to all persons who requested same and prepaid the cost fixed by the Council."

TREASURER'S REPORT: c. \$15,000

ONGOING BUSINESS

The Winter Tree Program has been completed.
Identify stretches that clearly need trees.

NEW BUSINESS

Arbor Day falls on the last Friday in April. Ceremonies should be coordinated with the school. Last year the Fourth Grade participated. John will contact the Principal. Perhaps a Haworth-and-trees theme can be used. Louise suggested an Arbor Day bingo contest on recyclable paper, as a way of engaging students.

Two large trees, such as a pin oak and a maple, are needed on the west side of the school, near where the graduation takes place. Perhaps the children can bring soil from their garden as part of a planting ceremony.

A possible "Friends-of-the-Trees" concept was raised: we could print the Google Map of Haworth on a mailing to contrast the difference in tree-density between Haworth and surrounding towns and to promote the singular importance of trees to Haworth.

The HSTC will send a letter to Greg Holden, thanking him, Jack Erhard, Terry Galla, members of Haworth Scout Troop 73, and other adult leaders and volunteers for participating in recent Tree Farm work. Fifty whips were planted and are doing well.

The next Borough-wide tree planting is scheduled for April-May. Jack asks for suggested locations.

A tree on Hardenburgh between Garfield and Grant was excessively trimmed by Rockland Power. We need to keep the Island full of trees. Various other tree matters were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Kurjian