

Shade Tree Commission Meeting  
held on January 3, 2013 in the  
Municipal Center

Present:

Joe Allegro, Chairman  
Peter Brach  
Terry Galla  
Doug Kurjian  
John Stokesbury  
Jack Erhard, Consultant  
Andrew Rosenberg, Council

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."

#### ONGOING BUSINESS

Removal and pruning cost c. \$15,000.

We have repeatedly called PSE&G for work, but they are backed up.

There are whole areas of blocks where trees have been taken down and need replacing. In a best-case scenario, the ground will be workable in March, when we will begin planting 50 of the 180 trees in our Farm. Jack wondered whether the DPW could plant 20 trees in two weeks.

The New Jersey Tree Foundation (a work-release program) planted 20 of our Farm trees in a day and a half, charged us only \$72 per tree, including mulching and staking, and saved us a few thousand dollars.

Some grant money is still left.

Tree inventory is a part of our five-year plan.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Our proposal to a vendor called for fifty shade trees, including some flowering species.

An average whip stands around six feet, with no earth.

Harrington Park's tree regulations include a warning fine and the stipulation that a removed tree must be replaced nearby.

Some trees that went over in the recent storms had no deep roots and had rotted centers. Many of our roads were cut in after Borough trees were planted, which adversely affected the growth of their roots and the overall health of the trees.

An Arbor Day proclamation and program of activities are on the agenda.

Tree City certification is approaching.

Our annual report is due in February—pruning, cleaning up, storm damage, Tree Farm, trees planted, etc.

A Franklin Street tree is dead and will be taken down.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Feb 5, 2013, at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Doug Kurjian