

## HSTC Minutes 9/05/2023 Meeting

1. 7:02 PM Steve Jureller called meeting to order
  - a. In attendance: Steve Jureller, Dina Siciliano, Annette Berger-Machac
2. Public duly notified of meeting's occurrence
3. 6/5/23 and 7/11/23 minutes could not be approved since a quorum was not in attendance.

### Old Business:

1. 161 Myrtle: Homeowner has not decided if tree will be removed. Further action pending homeowner's decision.
2. WTP List:
  - a. Stumps: Stumps from 2023 WTP list and from 2023 tree removals (where stumps were not ground) need to be added to 2024 WTP list. Stump list will need to be confirmed.
3. Tree Planting: Budget has been approved. Dina to advise on status of purchase order. Once the PO is issued, then a planting date will be scheduled.
4. 226 Haworth Ave – No update. Dina to get update from Building Department
5. Construction Checklist: no mention of Tree Ordinance; still open pending discussions with new permanent Code Official.
6. Social Media effort (Dina / Robin): Dina reported that Robin has been working on a logo. Dina will follow up with Robin.
7. Tree Farm: Dina is addressing with the Borough Council; further action TBD
8. Draft Tree Ordinance: Mike and Karen sent latest draft to 2 Environmental Commission members. Karen to follow up on their review
9. Enhanced process outline to be developed with new Borough Clerk (JoAnna Myung) – no update
10. Dina to send outline of direction for Contractors – no update
11. Trees on current "urgent" list were addressed the week of July 10.

### New Business

1. Tree Issues: Tree list as distributed by Carolyn Lee on 9/1/23 was reviewed.
  - a. 400 Maple St – Dina to follow up with Tom Runge – still open
  - b. 329 Haworth Ave – Mike to review – still open
  - c. Haworth Ave at Duck Pond – Dina to have Tom Runge identify specific trees
  - d. Borough Hall – Dina stated that DPW will address, not an STC issue
  - e. 147 Schraalenburgh – Steve to review
  - f. 37 Valley Rd – DPW to call utility company
  - g. 160 Hardenburgh – DPW to call utility company
  - h. 100 Terrace St – Dina to follow up with the DPW
  - i. 127 Hendrickson – Annette to review
  - j. 398 Orchard Pl – to go on planting list for 2024

- k. 256 Valley Rd – Annette to review
  - l. 280 Lake Shore Dr – Dina to follow up with the borough
  - m. 34 Valley Rd – Annette to review
  - n. 264 Crocker Pl – Annette to review
  - o. Beech St & Haworth Ave – Robin and Karen to review
  - p. Elm St and Park St – Karen to advise on status
  - q. 18 Owatonna St – Dina to follow up with the DPW
  - r. 481 Ivy Ave – Add to WTP for removal (two trees)
  - s. Tennis Courts – Add to WTP for removal
  - t. Property next to 118 Terrace St – put on WTP for removal
  - u. 15 Summit Pl – Dina to follow up
  - v. 16 Terrace St – put on WTP for pruning (2 trees)
  - w. Haworth Ave and Park St – DPW to call utility company
  - x. 104 Myrtle St – Steve to review
  - y. 520 St. Nicholas – Robin and Karen to review
  - z. 152 Delaware Ave – Steve to review
2. Dina to discuss formatting of tree list with JoAnna and Carolyn
  3. Steve to request Carolyn to provide an updated WTP list once current open issues are reviewed by HSTC and comments provided to Borough Hall
  4. NJUCF Grant Application for tree survey on borough green spaces was submitted by the 8/25/23 deadline.

#### 2023 Focus:

1. Enhance Borough awareness of what HSTC does
  - a. How to inform public?
    - i. Link on town web page & newsletter? Robin S to handle and work with Karen G on types of trees
      1. Robin to create a Shade Tree page
2. Grants: seek out more opps to fund planting (noted in Dina's report below)
  - a. Carbon offsets
  - b. Must do in conjunction with Borough
  - c. Dina to send list of Grantors/possible Grant opps with deadlines.
3. Improve relationship with DPW. On hold as new Supervisor pending

#### Grants:

1. Urban & Community Forestry Grant – application submitted in August – see above.
2. Arbor Day Foundation
3. National Climate Solutions Grant
4. Urban Forrest Canopy
5. Urban & Community Forestry Report
  - a. Concern w/ statement of tree budget
  - b. Tree education

- c. Annual Accomplishments
- 6. Swim Club:
  - a. Consider tree re-forestry; grants are available

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm

Upcoming HSTC Meetings

- Oct 3
- Nov 14
- Dec 5