



Agenda

HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP

Shade Tree Commission

Monday, May 23, 2022 @ 7:30 pm

Location: Township Building, Room 201B
1014 Darby Road, Havertown PA 19083

Agenda Items:

1. Public Comments (if any)
2. Plan Reviews (as required)
 - 654 College Avenue
3. Approval of Minutes from March 28 and April 25
4. Spring & Fall Tree Lottery Updates
5. Tree City USA Update
6. 2021 Annual Report to Board of Commissioners
7. Dave Burman meeting update
8. Approved List of Township Trees
9. New Business (if any)

2022 Meeting Calendar: 4th Monday of Month @ 7:30pm

~~January 24~~

~~February 28~~

~~March 28~~

~~April 25~~

May 23

June 27

July 25

August 22

September: No meeting, Jewish Holiday

October 24

November 28

December: No meeting, Christmas Holiday



Minutes for Monday, May 23, 2022

Meeting took place in the Township Building, 1014 Darby Road, Haverford PA 19083, meeting room C.

Paul Davit called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Commission Members Attending: Paul Davit, Panos Kalogeropoulos, Mark Pennington, Doreen Alvarez Saar, Andrew Mink by phone, and Joe Celia from the Township

Absent: Jonathan Alderson

Public: Kyle Wharton; Dennis O'Neill

1. Plan for 620 College Avenue sub-division development was discussed. After discussion of the issues including the loss of a 40" diameter sycamore, the planting of a riparian buffer, and the various special exceptions, the plans were approved.
2. Minutes from the March, 28 and April 25, 2022, STC meetings were approved.
3. Analysis of Spring tree giveaway (4/30/22).
 - a. Number of trees: 99 trees delivered; one was dead.
 - b. Issues in the process:
 - 18 people failed to pick up trees (roughly 20% no show)
 - Do we create a list of standbys?
 - Dave Burman will take left-over trees to give away or place in the Haverford Reserve
 - Should we keep a list of people who fail to show up and disqualify them from future lotteries?
4. Davit report on discussion with David Burman about Park and Rec's lack of process for cutting down trees

Discussion was a follow-up to our previous discussion regarding Parks and Recreation to work on developing process for tree removal and replanting. The Township needs to have a clear and transparent procedure to govern the process of tree removal. David will have P&R come to him for approval when any heritage tree is in question (30"DBH or greater). A permit form was developed which included sign-off by the Shade Tree Commission.

5. Members discussed how best to prevent future unnecessary removal of trees by the Township. It was noted that in 2021, 275 trees were planted at the Reserve, Cobbs Creek and Darby Creek.
6. Tree City Update: Burman received official notice and flag. We discussed purchase of Tree City signs for various points in the Township.
7. Andrew Mink discussed the update to the approved list of Township trees.
 - a. new horticultural thinking is that diversity may be more important than purely native species.
 - b. planting small trees is best for tree success (1/2 to 1 inch caliper)
 - c. tree topping should be stopped.

The meeting ended at 9:10 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 27 at 7:30p.

Respectfully submitted,

Doreen Alvarez Saar, acting secretary