



Shade Tree Commission

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Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday, March 27, 2023
Location: 1014 Darby Rd, Havertown, Pa., 19083 – Room B
Time: 7:30 P.M.



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HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP

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Monday, March 27, 2023 @ 7:30 pm

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

Agenda Items:

1. Commission Work Session
 - Approval of Minutes from February 27
2. Public Comments
3. Plan/Permit Reviews (none submitted)
4. Tree City USA Award
5. Spring Tree Lottery
6. 2022 Annual Report
7. PROS Plan Update
8. 2023 Goals Discussion
9. New Business (if any)

2023 Meeting Calendar: 4th Monday of Month @ 7:30pm

~~January 23~~

~~February 27~~

March 27

April 24

May 22

June 26

July 24

August 28

September 25: No meeting, Jewish Holiday

October 23

November 27

December 25: No meeting, Christmas Holiday



Minutes

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Minutes for Monday, March 27, 2023

Meeting took place in Room 201B, Township Building,
1014 Darby Road, Haverford PA 19083.

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

Commission Members Attending: Paul Davit, Jim Stephens, Doreen Alvarez Saar, Felicia Hurewitz,
Absent: Andrew Mink, Pano Kalogeropoulos and Joe Celia, Township Code Enforcement

1. Public comment. none
2. Property Plan reviews. None
3. Minutes from the February 27, 2023 meeting were approved.
4. Paul reported that the 2022 Tree City USA Award including an additional Growth Award has been received. It was delivered to Dave Berman.
5. Paul reported on the most recent Parks and Rec, PROS (Parks, Recreation and Open Space) planning meeting, March 14, 2023.
 - a. Discussion revolved around the perceived need for more events and more programming for the parks and increased number of trees planted in open spaces.
6. Spring tree lottery was discussed. Date will be April 29, the day after Arbor Day.
 - a. If a good planting and maintenance video can be found online it will be added to the website. Publicity information will be sent to the Tsp and released publicly on April 3, after editing by Christina. Paul shared that he learned that it is a good idea to mark the trees we want at the Tree Authority 4 months in advance because a number of other Tsp's also get trees from The TA. This would mean by the end of June for the Fall Tree Lottery.
 - b. Starting with the upcoming Lottery, Felicia will begin developing a database for the Lottery for future use.
7. Goals for 2023 were discussed. Initial list included:
 - a. Organize 2 resident Tree Lotteries in Spring and Fall to distribute 100-120 trees at each.
 - b. Work with community organizations to increase tree planting in public spaces.

- c. Draft and submit to the Board the annual Arbor Day proclamation.
 - d. Submit a completed application that results in our recognition as a Tree City USA for 2023.
 - e. Continued participation on the PROS Plan Steering Committee through submission of it's final report.
 - f. Review residential/commercial/ public properties under development/ renovation as submitted by Code Enforcement, for adherence to the Tree Ordinance.
 - g. Update the list of recommended trees on the Township website, for use by residents and developers.
 - h. Work to establish an inventory of public trees in the township to identify how many trees are being removed, replaced and added. Also consider the possibility of geo-mapping the township tree canopy. Discuss with Andrew and Peter Hickman.
 - i. Work to improve communication and understanding of STC work and the importance of trees to the community at large.
 - j. Discuss the possibility of giving out plaques for Heritage trees, which might be identified by people sending requests with pictures.
 - k. Continue to promote the idea of a Township arborist who could provide unbiased assessment of tree health. It was suggested that language requiring this could be put into the Ordinance.
 - l. Pursue discussion with Township engineer on the topic of stormwater management and the consideration given when talking about tree removal.
 - m. Review the Tree Code for language that is difficult or confusing and propose deletion, alterations and additions.
8. Paul reported that a draft of the annual report from 2022 including pictures from the Tree Giveaways was complete and asked us to review it before it was submitted..

The meeting ended at 8:55 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 24 at 7:30p.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Stephens, secretary