



**BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE**  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
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## **MEETING MINUTES**

**April 2, 2013**

Start Time: 4:30 PM End Time: 5:32

### **ATTENDANCE**

Chairperson Paul Giardino (PG) – Y  
Commissioner Rick Hockenberry (RH) - Y  
Commissioner David Sailer (DS) -N  
Alternate Declan Madden (DM) – N  
DPW Liaison Joe Clementi (JC) – Y  
HSTC Secretary Gina Brown (GB) – N

Vice Chairperson Tom Dwyer (TD) – N  
Commissioner Brian VanHook (BV) - N  
Commissioner Drea Lobosco Stauss (DS) Y  
Council Liaison Joe Wojtecki (JW) – Y  
BorO Arborist Steve Schuckman (SS) N

### **1. PUBLIC SESSION – No public in attendance**

### **2. NEW ITEMS**

- A. Approval of March Minutes  
Approved Unanimous
- B. Report from DPW Director and/or Borough Administrator  
JC reports final round of removals, pruning and stump removal is underway with Downes  
30-45 days to complete
- C. Paul Cowie's Tree Files Software Update  
Waiting on Finance to allocate the funds for final payment
- D. Sustainable Jersey – assist with application by Environmental Commission  
DS offered assistance with our submission to Environmental Commission. PG and GB to  
work on as well
- E. Newspaper Ad, Arbor Day – late April and Cel-Earth-Bratton – week of April 8<sup>th</sup>,  
Press Release April 1<sup>st</sup>.  
GB is handling.
- F. Planting Requests - 259 9th Ave, Mohawk Ave, 79 Wagner, 163 Tenth Ave,  
6 McKinley Ave, Corner of 6<sup>th</sup> & Florence Aves.  
Discussed desperate need for planting locations ASAP trying to plant this spring but  
running out of time. JW will announce need for locations at 4/3 council meeting
- G. Trees in need of evaluation by CTE - 27 Robertson, 117 Tuxedo  
Agreed to have SS evaluate but may have to wait until trees leaf out.

H. Tree move request - 15 Missonellie

RH indicated that if the tree is recently planted (1-2 years) it could be moved but he feels the commission should not move it unless absolutely necessary. Would set a precedent HSTC would not be able to keep up with.

Need to contact resident and explain why the tree was planted in its current location (wires, utilities, etc.)

I. Spring Planting - Planting list, Jefferson ES, Lincoln MS, need 30 additional locations.

NEED LOCATIONS PG, DS, RH and JW to pursue finding residents who want trees, sign up list at Earth Day.

J. Fall Planting - 45 trees need to begin to consider locations as soon as possible

See above.....

**3. OLD ITEMS:**

A. Arbor Day 2013 – Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup>

JC can provide shovels for planting. Email him a number in advance.

B. Cel-Earth-Bratton for Earth Day Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

PG will be there around 8:45 for set up. RH will deliver raffle tree (need to call RH a week or so ahead to remind him) DS will help with setup and manning the table. PG spoke with DS who has the beanbag tree game and a tent he will loan us. Will deliver the items to the High School or to PG's home. Any other members that can spare some time are welcome to help.

C. TreeFiles/Laptop Update

No update at this time.

Question presented to Council Liaison by the Chair regarding the 2013 Road Reconstruction:

PG asked JW where in the process the project was and when would HSTC be included in decisions on Borough trees impacted. JW indicated that the process would take some time as it has to be approved, put out to bid, project reviewed with bidders, bids reviewed and then the contract awarded. JW advised PG to speak with the Borough Administrator to confirm that he will be on the calendar for the construction meetings.

2013 Road Reconstruction project includes:

Ethel Avenue (Van Winkle to Roosevelt)

Horizon Terrace (first 200 feet from Grandview)

Grandview Avenue

Second Avenue (from Florence to Van Winkle)

Horton Avenue

Seventh Avenue (from Horton to Genevieve)

Sixth Avenue (from Utter to Rea and from Van Winkle to Genevieve)

New parking lot at "little" Franklin Field

Louis Bay II Library parking lot

There are also 10 addresses where sidewalks are to be repaired.