



# HAWTHORNE

## Shade Tree Commission

**BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE**  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
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### **December 6, 2011 Meeting notes**

Start Time: 7:30PM

End Time: 10PM

#### Attendance:

Chairperson Pieter Slump (PSL) – yes

Vice chairperson John Terry (JT) - yes

Commissioner Rick Hockenberry (RH) - no

Commissioner Phil Savoie (PS) – yes

Commissioner Dave Sailer (DS) - yes

Alternate Jack Fannin (JF) – no

Alternate Declan Madden (DM) – yes

Council Liaison Joe Wojtecki (JW) – John Bertollo in attendance in place of Joe Wojtecki

Borough Arborist Steve Schuckman (SS) – no

PSL Motion to open December 2011 HSTC meeting, DS seconded, approved unanimously.

#### **1. Public session if needed.**

*No public in attendance.*

#### **2. New items**

A. Arbor Day 2011 planting at 8-acre Woods – deer damage to 3 young trees. *DS to put plastic irrigation tubing around the two lilac trees.*

B. Tree removal request – 129 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, forwarded to Steve Schuckman for inspection. *Mention only.*

C. Results of 2011 Fall planting with Tode. Retainage to remove baskets and burlap in spring. *PS motion to have Eric Maurer to retain \$1500 to be paid once Tode completes the terms of the contract in the spring, JT seconded, unanimous approval.*

D. Vote on proposed 2012 HSTC meeting dates: January 10, February 7, March 6, April 3, May 1, June 5, July 10, August 7, September 5, October 2, (Wednesday) November 7, December 4. *PS motion to approve 2012 meeting dates, DS seconded, unanimous approval.*

E. 3<sup>rd</sup> CFMP – PS to give several items to Paul so that he can complete the CFMP. *Unfortunately there doesn't seem to be grant money available from the state, which would have required having the CFMP done by the end of the year.*

F. 15 Cathy Ave – give permission for resident to hire outside contractor to trim limb? *We will ask the DPW to take care of this.*

G. Meeting proposed with Joe Clementi and Eric Maurer to address broken trees from Halloween snowstorm. *Mention only.*

### **3. Review of November 2011 Meeting notes.**

*PS Motion to approve November 2011 meeting notes, PSL seconded, unanimous approval.*

### **4. Budget review.**

A. 2011 Budget discussion. Meeting on November 28 with Eric Maurer, MJ Hewitt to discuss 2012 budget. *We asked for extra money for small and medium tree pruning for the plantings that have been done since 2006 (roughly 1000 trees).*

1. Any surprise charges made to our accounts? *No.*

2. Any encumbrances to be made? *No.*

### **5. OLD ITEMS / Mention only:**

A. CTE Contract up for renewal, on the website.

B. Independent HSTC website. Develop a list of 12 monthly tree-related actions (January – prune trees and shrubs, February – protect bark from sunscald, etc)? Review poster from US Dept of Agriculture that has some good ideas.

Priorities: PR, News, Rules / borough code, Photo gallery, history, cross-marketing with “Friends of Trees” group, sidewalk diagram, educational links (Arbor Day Foundation)

Goals: Get positive PR, increase public awareness.

C. 42 Horton – large white oak in fair condition, suffering from wet wood and as a result has bad-smelling sap oozing out. Has resident been contacted? *PSL to write letter.*

D. Format for residents to arrange for tree planting on borough ROW's. *PSL to work on.*

E. Road re-building specifications – we need to get wording into the specs that will protect town trees.

*JT motion to close, DS seconded, unanimous approval to close meeting.*

TIME ENDED: 10PM