



HAWTHORNE

Shade Tree Commission

BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
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Meeting of February 2, 2016

Persons present: Dria Lobosco, Paul Giardino, Brian Van Hook, Rick Hockenberry, Tom Dwyer, Al Ianacone, and Rick Singer

Meeting began at 4:30 PM.

Adequate public notice of this meeting was provided.

The following items were discussed:

1. Minutes: Brian made a motion to accept the minutes which were approved unanimously.

2. Secretary Position: Paul stated that he has heard nothing at this time.

3. Five Year Plan: Paul stated that he is talking with Steve Shuckman, town arborist, about submitting an update to the state since our current plan expires at the end of this year.

4. 2015 Report: Paul commented that he is working on the annual report for 2015 for the NJ Department of Environmental Protection and NJ Forest Service.

5. Arbor Day: Dria is coordinating some of the events with the schools which include the tree seedlings to students and the planting of a tree which is being donated by Rick. The day is set for Friday, April 29th. There is a need to obtain a gator bag for the Washington School tree planting. Paul is looking into it. There was a suggestion that a student be selected to water the tree.

6. Celearthbration Day: This day is set for Saturday, April 9th, at the high school. Dria and Rick are involved with a tree sapling raffle.

7. Spring Planting: Rick asked about this effort which Paul is looking into.

8. Grant Applications: Al reported that two grant applications were submitted to the state. Lori Di Bella typed and submitted them recently. One was for the tree saplings for Arbor Day and the second was for funds for a consultant to update our Five Year Tree Plan. A third grant possibility was discussed and there was a consensus to ask for funds for hazard mitigation. Rick volunteered

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to help Al write it. It might include pruning dead branches, prevention efforts regarding the emerald ash borer, etc.

9. Update Commissioners List: Al will be asking Lori for an updated list of names, addresses, emails and phone numbers of all Commission members.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Albert Ianacone

February 5, 2016

