



BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
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MEETING MINUTES

August 6, 2013

ATTENDANCE

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

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

Meeting began at 4:30 pm

1. Public Session:

None in attendance.

2. Approval of July Meeting Minutes.

Unanimously approved.

3. New Business:

A. Joe Clementi, DPW Liaison gave his update to the committee. Approximately 50 calls for prunings and removals were called into DPW this month. Joe provided the commission with guidelines for the Pro-Active Pruning for 2013. Gina will pass this information onto Paul.

B. A brief discussion about the need for additional members for the HSTC.

C. Joe Wojtecki, Council Liaison recommended that 4 trees on the Pool Grounds on the Wagaraw Road side be removed as they are in poor condition. He noted that the Borough did receive funds from PSE&G for new trees for that area.

3. Old Business:

A. Hawthorne Day, October 5th. Dria will complete the vendor form and get it to Charlene to secure our tented space. We need to come up with some fun ideas for handouts and ideas to draw people to our space.

B. Paul Cowie "Tree-Files" will be paid this month since he did not make it in the cut-off for payment in the last council meeting.

C. Fall Planting. Rick turned in his recommendations for planting and now Gina will compile a list of the Commissions' recommendations, as well as, the calls from homeowners with requests. Tom Dwyer agreed to take that list and drive around to assess the specific locations for planting and determine if there are overhead wires that may interfere. Gina will provide Tom the list soon.

D. The NJ Shade Tree Federation Training/Conference will be held in Cherry Hill, NJ this October and two of our Commissioners need to attend the 2-day event. Brian will not be able to attend along with Dria so another member should be selected. Registration needs to be completed soon.

E. Hawthorne Day: Dria signed the HSTC up for a booth at Hawthorne Day. We need to know how much money we can spend on this event for promo items. We still need to come up with a schedule for volunteering that day. We need people from 10:30am-7:00pm.

F. 911 Memorial Tree Planting. Tom updated the committee on the progress of the 911 Memorial. Pieter Slump from Downes Tree Service will be handling the ordering and planting of the trees. Everything is coming along beautifully.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm