



HAWTHORNE

Shade Tree Commission

BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
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August 10, 2010 Meeting Notes

Attendance: Philip Savoie (PS), Pieter Slump (PSL), John Terry (JT),
Absent: Declan Madden (DM), Rick Hockenberry (RH), Alternates Jack
Fannin (JF), David Sailer (DS), Councilman Joe Wojtecki.
Meeting 07:30PM-10:00PM

*Motion to open August 2010 meeting PS, seconded JT, unanimous approval
to open public meeting.*

1. Public session (if needed). *No public in attendance, no public session.*

2. Review of July 2010 Meeting notes. *Motion to approve July 2010
meeting notes PS, seconded JT, unanimous approval to accept meeting
notes.*

3. Budget review. *PS plans to meet with DPW Director Joe Clementi to
discuss remaining budgetary expenditures.*

4. Old Business items.

A. Letters to be written to residents, property owners, etc.

1. 64 Warburton Ave.
2. 890 Lafayette Ave.
3. 113 9th Ave.

Letters to be written with final decisions.

Mention only, to be followed up upon.

B. General Borough planting for Fall 2010 planting discussion continued.
Scanlon & additional planting project.
*PS to send out addresses in order to complete site inspections for
Scanlon and additional fall planting.*

Letter for additional fall planting to be sent out, with request for responses by September 7.

Request for library planting replacement for Sal Zisa memorial bench. One tree died at this location. *Motion to replace dead tree at library for Sal Zisa Memorial by PS, seconded PSL, unanimous approval to hire contractor to remove dead tree and replant a new tree.*

C. Enforcement & follow up activities:

1. McFarlan Ave. Generation X Towing Company hit three trees that had to be removed on an emergency basis. One half payment still pending, Code Enforcement pursuing payment. *Mention only.*
2. Magnatrol Valve, Horton Ave. & 6th Ave. Facility to be contacted regarding follow up planting. *PSL and PS to work on this.*
3. 48 Lee Ave. Illegal tree removal, state planting. Summons issued, court date pending. Discussion of remedy. *Court date this Thursday August 12, 2010.*
4. PSE&G 6th Ave. & 9th Ave. Substation inspection. 2-year agreement almost completed. Final inspection needed. *JT reviewed this location and most of the plants are in good shape.*
5. 113 9th Ave.-Letter dated June 30, 2010. Tree removal request received via DPW. Review performed and resistograph test performed, review pending. *PS to add this tree to pruning list. Resistograph results are pending.*

D. Patriot Development project, Goffle Rd. Tree plan submitted by property owner, testimony not yet complete. Applicant willing to change tree species in landscape plan, would like recommendations from Commission. Issue of buffers and tree protection plan not resolved. Jackson Twsp. Legal decision for tree removal ordinance. **Still need recommendations on species. Next meeting August 16, 2010.** *PS to attend next meeting.*

E. Public Borough tree work. Current status. *DPW is doing some tree pruning. Perhaps some borough employees need training. J.Clementi & DPW Administration maintaining work list requests via work order system and spreadsheet.*

F. Professional services discussion. Standards, requirements, interviews, etc. *Currently being reviewed by Eric Maurer. When will the bid be sent out? PSL to review with Eric Maurer.*

G. Forestry grant for tree inventory update. Grant application for next (3rd) CFMP due December 3, 2010. Current CFMP expires December 2011. Update, discussion. *PSL to get price on CFMP from Paul Cowie, and PS to review grant specifics with Division of Community Forestry.*

H. Sidewalk policy discussion. Still to be pursued. *Mention only. PS to develop with Commissioner Dave Sailer.*

5. New items

A. Enforcement cases.

1. 179 4th Ave.-Illegal pruning of three Borough trees. Summons issued.

JT will be taking this to court on August 26.

B. Letters from residents. None at this time. *Mention only.*

C. State & Borough tree maintenance project. Review of 2009 state plantings. *The state is reviewing if they can replace approx. 30 trees that have died. Also the stakes will be removed soon. JT will review streets to identify where we should put down mulch.*

D. Hawthorne Day, October 2, 2010. Save the date, ideas for day?
NJ Shade Tree Federation Meeting, Oct. 22-24, 2010.
Hazard Tree evaluation, December 2010. *Mention only.*

E. Anything else? *Nothing at this time.*

PSL motion to close meeting, seconded by JT, unanimous approval to close meeting.