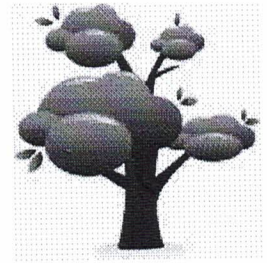




# Minutes

## DUMONT SHADE TREE COMMISSION

2/13/23  
Monday, 7:30 PM  
Calvary UM Church  
185 W. Madison Ave., Dumont, NJ



Call to Order at 7:35 PM, motion by Rachel Bunin. Second by Sally Tayeb.

Present: Sally Tayeb, Rachel Bunin, Tanya Zimmerman, Councilman John Russell, Tom Fischella, Tara Barker and Borough Attorney Jared Geist.

Rachel made a motion to approve the minutes from the 1/9/23 meeting. Second by Tom. So moved. Rachel will gather previous minutes from 2018-2022 to be posted. We will keep a lookout for all future minutes to be posted when submitted to the Borough website. We will also ask the Borough to update the DSTC web page on the Borough website.

Introductions & Welcome to new commissioners—Attendees introduced themselves and told their connection to DSTC. New commissioner Wayne Cahilly unable to attend due to a previous engagement. No response via email from the other 2 new commissioners, Stephanie Petriello and Sasha Attanasio, prior to the meeting. Tanya to reach out again and send the calendar of events doc. Tom to put together an updated Welcome packet.

Calendar of Events for 2023 doc was approved.

Memorial Benches & Trees Guidelines doc was finalized and given to John to pass onto the Borough.

Shade Tree Ordinance and Resolution—need to review the resolution prior to making suggestions. John to ask Borough to provide.

NJ Urban and Community Forestry Annual Report—reviewed report. Some financial data missing, Sally to ask Cathy Romeo for info. Report is due by Feb. 15. Photos from Arbor Day will be included. Tara to complete the Tree City USA report with details from the Annual report. Tara suggested commissioners take over this task going forward. She will provide guidance.

Arbor Day—planning has begun. Agree to not present an Award of merit this year. Poster contest fliers will be sent out for review and then to the Borough Administrator and Attorney prior to going to the BOE. Location for tree planting needs to be selected along with the type of tree.

Update on Tree Inventory Program—the contract is with Davey Tree. Actual contract needs to be reviewed for process and deadline confirmation. Sally to send to the Borough Attorney.

FOTST—annual financial report presented.

Save the Date: NJ Tree Federation Annual Conference: Oct. 26 & 27, Cherry Hill, NJ

NJ Tree Federation Annual Membership Dues—Sally to find out if the Borough has paid and when due. Question about the DSTC budget for 2023. Rachel will reach out to the Budget Committee of the Council, Carol Stewart & Tom Kelly.

Rachel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM. Second by Sally. So moved.

#### Announcements:

THE DUMONT SHADE TREE COMMISSION (DSTC) AS COMPLIED WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT,  
HAVING SENT NOTICE TO THE RECORD, RIDGEWOOD NEWS, FILED WITH THE MUNICIPAL CLERK  
AND POSTED ON THE BOROUGH'S OFFICIAL BULLETIN BOARD.

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