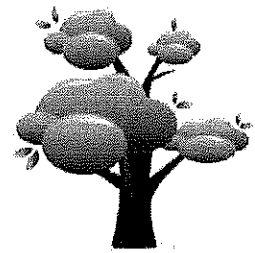




Minutes

DUMONT SHADE TREE COMMISSION
10/17/22
Monday, 7:30 PM
Dumont Borough Hall
50 Washington Ave., Dumont, NJ



Call to Order at 7:39 PM, motion by Tara Barker. Second by Sally Tayeb.

Present: Sally Tayeb, Tanya Zimmerman, John Russell, Tara Barker, Marc Leibman, Veronica Greco (quorum of 2 commissioners) .

Sally made a motion to approve the minutes from the 9/19/22 meeting. Second by Tanya. So moved.

Recap of CORE Training at the NJSTF 97th Annual Conference, 10/13, Cherry Hill, NJ. Attendance from Dumont: John Russell, DSTC liason; Dave Shellman, Code Enforcement Officer; Bobby Sherrow, Building Inspector; Pete and Bil from the DPW. Sally Tayeb and Veronica Graco attended and earned 10 CEUs. Valuable information was learned. Having a Shade Tree Commission offers a layer of immunity and insulates the Borough from tree lawsuits. State Forester hopes to offer CORE again in the Spring.

A letter will be drafted to the Borough Clerk explaining that the DSTC Facebook Page was removed and that we no longer have access to it. Concern from the Borough attorney regarding future OPRA requests on posts on that page. The Borough will determine how social media will be used for all borough groups.

Update on ordinance—2nd reading won't happen until 2023. The mayor is vetting new commissioner appointments. Review of the state statute on Commissions & Boards concerning absent commissioners for 4 or more meetings. Commissioners are excused due to illness or personal reason.

Concern over whether permit requests are going to the Building Dept., help desk 387-5720 and tree hazards to the DPW. Check with Tom Fischella.

Adopt-a-Tree Planting—24 trees at the nursery are ready to be moved to permanent homes. Can be planted in the Spring. 9 are ready to go to homeowners. An Eastern Red Cedar could go on the corner of Linden and Pershing (Memorial park). Does the Rec Commission need to grant permission? Some of the Dogwoods could go to Memorial Park. John to look into.

FOTST—wreath making at the Elks, Dec. 5

Sally made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM. Second by Tanya. So moved.

Announcements:

THE DUMONT SHADE TREE COMMISSION (DSTC)
HAS 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.

ALL DUMONT RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND OPEN MEETINGS OF THE DSTC
For more information visit: www.dumontshadetree.org