



Meeting Minutes

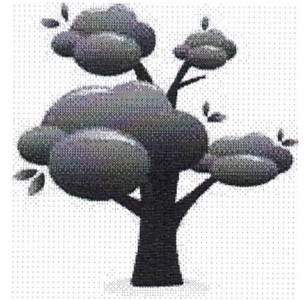
DUMONT SHADE TREE COMMISSION

10/15/2018

Monday, 7:30-9 pm

Dumont Senior Center

Dumont Ave. Dumont, NJ 07628



Call to Order Rachel Bunin/ 2nd Tom Fisichella

In attendance: Rachel Bunin | Ray Slaman | Abbie Slaman | Tom Fisichella | Mary Normoyle | Matt and Maria D'Elia | Tara Barker | Tanya Zimmerman | Carole Stewart | Sally Tayeb

1. DIAL commissioners that are participating remotely NONE

2. Review Prior Meeting Minutes Accepted as written by Sally

3. Discussion of homeowner issues/questions (if any)

D'elia family 317 East Madison: Tom has moved the trim schedule; this tree on top of the list

100 Revere Drive: WIX message came to Ray: Trim schedule 100/104 Revere trim on the list

4. Open DSTC Filled by Mary Normoyle Swearing in ceremony will be at November DSTC meeting

5. 2018 planning

a. Wreath making fund raiser- Senior Center Monday 12/3/2018

Tara taking the lead, Rachel will put notice in TBN | discussion and agree to keep entry fee at \$20/person/wreath will reach out to get pine and garland and supplies

b. Memorial tree planting 10/20 11am Memorial Park - Ray is looking for Service Berry tree (noted: tree was planted on 10/20 11am with a ceremony for Greco Family | DSTC got a \$500 donation

c. Holiday Train Show December at the Library: Tom is moving along | Rachel had sample of Flyer, working with Tanya to get it finalized with images of trains and scenery by Anna F.

Library Glass showcase is on Nov 5th need help contact Tom to volunteer

6. Annual NJ Shade Tree Conference: Oct 18-19 (Thurs and Fri) Cherry Hill NJ 8:30am start

a. Core training / certification (8 CEU required each year) Tanya, Mary

b. CEU: Urban Forest Planning, Trees and sidewalks, Ray, Tom, Rachel, Dennis (Friday)

Update: DSTC attended and fulfilled the CEU requirements

7. Community outreach and communication

a. Website – www.dumontshadetree.org

Data base for tree notices and permit requests _ Working well

b. Newsletter, social media | Fall newsletter, expect publication by 11/1/19

c. New program; identify examples of where trees are benefiting a neighborhood; shade, beauty, storm water mitigation, etc. for a pamphlet/bulletin. Need a website to show community on website to help gain support for private tree management that benefits the whole community. Moving towards an ordinance for private tree management (re: Tenafly) Carole is on ordinance committee will investigate options

8. Arboretum

a. Maintenance, inspections, general upkeep (monthly assignments) All seems well
b. water system, parking space paving water system part of Eagle Scout Rex project TBD

c. Brick installation -- Bricks are ready at Written in Stone. Need to install them. Some bricks were ordered over a year ago

9. Tree Nursery – update from Mary Normoyle, Nursery Manager – Weeds gone thanks to volunteers who spent a Saturday working: Bill Z, Kathy Z., Abbie S. Tanya Z, Tom F., Mary N, Tara B. and Ray S. thanks to DPW who took weeds away.

About 12 empty pots; Saplings are doing fine

Rob Gilles dropped off wood chips—for mulching

Raised bed trees thrived

a. Fence project | Ray says before end of the year

b. Mulching for spring using chips that Rob dropped off? Need more?

10. Adopt a tree fall planting will have 22 trees for 2018 at 15 homeowner sites and 6 in Parks in Dumont

Regular Business

11. Update from FOTST – meeting, fundraising, activities and projects

Sally will be the new Brick contact need FOTST approval for raising prices of bricks b/c WIS raised price. discussion came to raise to \$80? \$100? Other brick pathways cost a lot more. We recommend increase to begin Jan 1. We need to contact the people who have bricks that will be installed hopefully before winter.

Rachel will contact DHS re: 2019 FOTST Scholarship

12. Tree Maintenance

a. DPW Superintendent: Anthony Schiraldi, Arborist Dennis Banoff, Billy Paige getting going doing a fine job at the Borough hall

Stump grinder is working out very well

13. Tree permits – have some good news stories that we need to promote where trees were not removed b/c Ray explained why losing the tree would be detrimental. Re: 358 Prospect 90' Oak tree not coming down.

14. Other Open Business-- NONE

15. November meeting at the SENIOR CENTER

9pm Mary moved to close meeting/ Tanya second motion

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