

## March 2, 2022 Minutes

Meeting call to order at: 7:02

### Roll Call:

Diane Bowman x Carol Means x Diane Smith x Pam Taylor x Julie Wilczynski Michael Wilczynski Jr. x  
Jennifer Senchak (Arborist)  
CM Dan Herr (liaison)

### Recognition of guests:

Randall McDonald CTSP (has volunteered to assist our commission)  
Jennifer Ehrenberger  
CM Don Shearer

### Approval of Minutes (from Feb. 3 )

Motion to Approve: Diane 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Approved

### Treasurer's Report:

Carol provided copies of new format allowing for easier tracking of various categories.  
CM Shearer explained that due to an accounting error, Shade Tree has not received it's total tax millage, however, the situation should be remedied this month. Future payments will be disbursed in January of the following year.

### Arborist Report:

HWA problem, pros and cons of treatments, research being done. Conclusion is that residential setting infestations must be approached on a case by case basis. Resources for assistance are being approached. Cooperation of public is needed. Ways to engage are being considered.

Adopt a Tree Program for spring planting - resident has requested that the Arborist help with his tree selection. Process will be much the same as the 9 trees planted last year. Explained value of using local nursery

Explanation of why updating Code 220 was important and how current practices are influencing the advice of the shade tree commission to the residents for plantings, the role of the permit process, and the PennDot main street project.

### Reports:

Education/Social Media - Pam and Diana are considering a joint project with their trees to provide material and process information on FB/ Instagram. More to be discussed next meeting.

Inventory: Diane has given to Mike a series of inventory reports from the Pennsylvania Open Tree Map project. CM Shearer asked for a list of trees that are listed as poor or standing dead.

Shade Tree Email: has been renewed and is available for residents to ask for assistance or general information

### Adopt a Tree:

300 East Pearl	no UC	4'	hornbeam, plane, linden
107 1 <sup>st</sup> st.	UC	5'	(Arborist to check)
226 S. Washington	no UC	4'	gingko

**New Business:**

Motion (Diane) (2<sup>nd</sup> Carol) to a adopt letter informing residents of Code Violations: Section 220 along with an offer of assistance . Discussion: These violations are not dealing with safety issues but are more of a preventative and procedural nature.

Motion approved.

Motion to send letter to residents: Diane 2<sup>nd</sup>: Carol

Discussion: lack of permits, incorrect species, future utility conflicts. Basically information for the residents and offer of aid.

Motion approved.

Code Enforcement will also get a copy for their information.

**General Discussion or comments:**

General discussion of how shade tree might use local events as opportunities to provide information to residents.

Pam discussed the Liberty Tree project of the Pennsylvania Masonic Grand Lodge. The tree in question is a tulip poplar. They are looking for sites that have Revolutionary War importance. Pam will reach out to surrounding areas that are part of the George Washington trail

Motion to Adjourn: 1<sup>st</sup> Michael 2<sup>nd</sup> Diane time of adjournment 8:30