



City of Hoboken, Shade Tree Commission

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**Minutes**

**Monday September 15, 2014**

**7:00 pm**

**1. Roll call**

- a. Present - Condon, Cossio, Tricarico, Dziman, Calamoneri
- b. Also Present - Peter Bakarich, Robert Whipple, Stevens

**2. Approval of August Minutes**

The minutes for August, 2014 were not approved.

**3. Old Business**

- ***Residential Fall Planting*** (Calamoneri)

Louis Barbato & Co. has won the bid for the 80 trees with the option for the additional year. Planting slated to begin in mid November. Dziman leading the effort to select the trees at the nursery. It was discussed that the City not charge the Shade Tree Commission the \$100 per location side walk opening permit fee. However the permits will have to be pulled by the STC.

- ***(Grant 3) Community Forestry Plan, Paul Cowie & Associates PO*** (Calamoneri)

Davis is working with Paul Cowie to write the Community Forestry Plan. Her questions are out to the STC to be answered.

- ***(Grant 1) Status on \$20,000 CSIP tree pruning grant*** (Calamoneri)

The \$20,000 grant for pruning has been received and needs to be used by 2017. Tricarico gave an updated list of trees in need and dead trees to Calamoneri at the meeting. Taking pictures of the priority 1 pruning trees was discussed.

- ***(Grant 2) Status TD Bank Environment Community Education Development Grant & Greater Newark Conservancy*** (Tricarico)

No plans as of yet have materialized, Tricarico has set up meetings with Hoboken High School

- ***Arts & Music Festival Booth*** (All)

Determined that it was too late to set up a Booth for the Arts & Music Festival.

- ***2014 Municipal Membership to the NJ Shade Tree Federation*** (Calamoneri)

Calamoneri will follow up on this.

- ***Plan review*** (Cossio)

Plans for 113-121 Monroe Street were reviewed, Cossio to finalize the response and send out to the applicant

- ***Stevens Fall Clean up day*** (Tricarico)

Robert Whipple from the environmental club at Stevens expressed interest in the School participating in another clean up day for the Washington Tree pits. Tricarico agreed to send around the project details from the prior year and a project leader has to be chosen.

*-Meeting with Director Pellegrini to Discuss Budget Allocation & Washington Street Maintenance*  
(Condon)

Condon and Calamoneri met with Director Pellegrini to discuss the budget. Director Pellegrini approves of the STC budget including the CSIP Grant pruning, which will take place in the fall 2014. Calamoneri will confirm the priority one prunes as well as the priority two. Trees that need to be pruned will also be assessed after PSE&G completes their pruning since some of these trees could have been pruned by PSE&G.

There will be funding to support Washington Street and residential plantings. Director Pellegrini agreed to the following watering schedule of Thursdays and Sundays for Washington Street plantings. Watering will begin May 15th.

Director Pellegrini would like to use part of the STC budget to support the community garden on 3rd St and Jackson St. The STC is in support of the community garden, but does not believe this is the proper use of the STC budget, which is for activities that involve street trees. The STC would like to plant trees along the street in front of the community garden according to the requirements of the TD Grant.

**5. Adjournment**

2014 Future Meetings October 20, November 10, December 8.  
Meetings held in City Hall basement conference room across from the municipal violations window.