

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 4, 2025

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SECRETARY ADMINISTERED THE OATH OF OFFICE TO ROE MAIO AND CYNTHIA LOUNSBERRY.

SECRETARY OPENED THE MEETING AND ASKED FOR A NOMINATION FOR CHAIRPERSON, MARIA GRIZZETTI NOMINATED ROE MAIO, NO OTHER NOMINATIONS WERE MADE, ROE MAIO ACCEPTED THE NOMINATION.

CHAIRPERSON MAIO ASKED FOR A NOMINATION FOR SECRETARY, MARIA GRIZZETTI NOMINATED PAULA ZELIFF-MURPHY, NO OTHER NOMINATIONS WERE MADE, PAULA ZELIFF-MURPHY ACCEPTED THE NOMINATION.

MEETING WAS OPENED AT 7:10PM

ATTENDING - ROE MAIO, MARIA GRIZZETTI, CYNTHIA LOUNSBERRY, CHARLOTTE ZAWACKI, PAULA ZELIFF-MURPHY. ABSENT NICOLE MEMBER

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 1, 2024 MEETING OK AS READ WITH CORRECTIONS ON A MOTION BY MG, SECOND BY CL

WE RECEIVED 1 PERMIT TO TAKE DOWN 2 OAK TREES FOR 23 SAGAMORE DR. THE OWNER IS AN ARBORIST WHO EXPLAINED ON THE PERMIT THAT BOTH TREES HAD SIGNS OF BACTERIAL LEAF SCORCH AND DIEBACK. AN ON-LINE SEARCH BY PZM STATED THAT TREES WITH THIS ISSUE SHOULD BE TAKEN DOWN. WE OK'D THE PERMIT.

PZM RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM MICHAEL STINER, 32 DELL RD. HE IS VERY HAPPY THAT THE TOWN DID THE TREE PROJECT, HE LOVES HIS TREES (HE HAS 2 IN FRONT OF HIS HOUSE). HE NOTICED SOME BARK DAMAGE AND ASKED IF ANYONE COULD LOOK AT IT. PZM E-MAILED THE REQUEST TO BRIAN McNEILLY AND DPW (JASON) ON FRIDAY JAN 31, 2025.

MARIA RECEIVED A NOTICE FROM BYRAM THAT THEY NOW HAVE AN ORDINANCE STATING THAT A HOMEOWNER MUST REMOVE DEAD TREES, EITHER ON THEIR PROPERTY OR IN THE R.O.W. AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE. WE DISCUSSED BRINGING

THIS TO COUNCIL'S ATTENTION. WOULD WE WANT TO DO THE SAME THING? WE DECIDED TO TABLE IT FOR NOW.

WE NEED TO GET STARTED ON THE HAZARDOUS TREE INVENTORY. PZM TO CONTACT OUR FORESTER, JOE DUNN ABOUT THAT AND ABOUT DOING OUR USUAL SPRING INSPECTION OF TOWN OWNED TREES, IE; STREET TREES AND IN THE PARKS.

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:40PM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

PAULA ZELIFF-MURPHY, SECRETARY