

Moorestown Tree Planting and Preservation Committee

March 13, 2018 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with Dave Daily, John Gibson, Sandy Daniels, Jay Hartman, Dawn Bohr, Kathy Logue, John Greim, Brian Leusner and Lisa Petriello in attendance.

The February minutes were accepted as read.

There was no public works report because Brian was too busy with snowstorm damage throughout the township to do it.

John Gibson met with Tony to clarify questions about the ordinance. A final draft will be sent to Amy Cieslewicz to review. There was discussion about private trees and public safety in the ordinance. A final draft of the ordinance will be sent to Tom Merchel. When the ordinance does pass, there will be a need for publicity and information sent to all the landscape companies and tree services that work in the township.

Arbor Day will be at the Upper Elementary School on April 27th. Sandy and Lisa met with the vice principal, Michelle Hanson, and Greg McCarty to pick out a site for the planting. There will be at least 3 trees planted. The MIA plans a contest for children in the schools for Arbor Day.

John submitted the committee budget to the township.

The combined Rotary groups of Moorestown will be planting trees at Locust Park on April 14th rain or shine. The committee will be giving them 150 saplings from the 500 we receive from the state for Arbor Day.

Brian has a list for spring planting locations, some from signups at the fall STEM event, and some from previous removals.

There is a CSIP grant coming up to buy and replace ash trees. The application is due April 23rd and is up to \$30,000. Dawn will sit in on the webinar to learn more.

There has been a \$250 donation to the tree remembrance fund for a tree to be planted. It was suggested that it be planted at Perkins.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 PM.