

## Moorestown Tree Planting and Preservation Committee

May 8, 2018 Minutes

The meeting opened at 7:30 PM with Sandy Daniels, Jay Hartman, Carl Cutler, John Gibson, Brian Leusner, John Greim, Dave Daily, Lisa Petriello and Kathy Logue in attendance.

The April minutes were approved as read.

Public Works 4/10- 5/8

10.5 days- trims and storm damage work

6.5 days- call-ins

8 days planting locations for new trees

2 days- equipment maintenance

.5 days-unloading trees

2 days- mulch to public works for trees

.5 days- Arbor Day

2 days- mowing

2 days- planting trees

There was publicity for Arbor Day on Patch and the Sun.

The tree ordinance has passed by council without any problems. Thanks to Carl for his hard work in researching and drafting the new ordinance. There should be publicity on the new ordinance and sent out to landscape and tree services. It should be shown to the township manager first. Kathy will work on drafts and will send to committee members to check.

Arbor Day at the Upper Elementary School went well even though it had to be held inside because of rain. Four tree were planted. Most of the seedlings were handed out and remainder went to the library for distribution.

Spring planting locations are needed. Brian and his crew have started planting the new trees.

The CSIP grant for tree replacement was submitted on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Council has approved it and we should hear from the state by June if we get it.

The tree remembrance/ Memorial tree policy needs to be updated. Kathy will work on that and send us drafts before the next meeting. Whether the two can be combined is the question.

The next 5 year management plan needs to be started to get it done before December 2019. Our goals and objectives need to be decided on. We need some new ideas. This will be our 5<sup>th</sup> management plan. There was discussion about developing a walking tour of township trees.

John Greim will lead the pruning schedule which will start in June. Kathy will get publicity out for new volunteers. Maybe high school volunteers could get community service hours. The high school garden club might be a source of volunteers.

The township Ash trees will be re-inventoried as to condition before the June meeting. There should be publicity on Ash Tree removal which will be heavy this year. Brian will be treating several large street ash trees this year.

Meeting adjourned at 9:11 PM.