

Millstone Township Shade Tree Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2022
7:30 p.m.

Due to COVID-19, the Millstone Township Shade Tree Commission meeting was held via Zoom.

Attendees:	Bruce Wolf	(BW)	Absent:	Rene Peerboom	(RP)
	Victoria Talyansky	(VT)		Scott D'Amico	(SD)
	Ellen Terry	(ET)		Chris Porcello.	(CP)
	Eric Davis	(ED)		Liason	
	Lisa Rosati	(LR)		(Consultant)	

Meeting called to order @ 7:55 p.m. (zoom link issue)

Old Business

Minutes from June 8, 2022 meeting approved. BW motion/ET seconded.

NJUCF Stewardship Resiliency Grant – LR updated the STC on the following:

- The grant in the amount of \$50,000 was awarded to Millstone Township. There are a couple of clarifications needed prior to official paperwork, LR will complete.
- The project includes a street tree inventory & tree risk assessment inventory within the ROWs of 147 roads which will be added to the existing inventory. Approximately <10% of roads will be left to inventory in the future.
- Scott D'Amico will assist the Project Manager, Kevin Abernethy, with the contractor's progress throughout the project.
- Ellen Terry will prepare educational and informative narratives for residents regarding the project to be posted on the STC FB page.
- Victoria Talyansky will assist ET with narratives and post them to the FB page.

Draft Tree Removal Ordinance – STC members approved the changes made to the ordinance per previous TC request and STC discussion. Additional discussion regarding tree replacement requirements for new development led to final amendments to the draft ordinance: 1) New residential development consisting of 5 or more homes will require tree replacement for the trees removed within the proposed roadways; and 2) New commercial development will require tree replacement for trees proposed for removal within the parking lot and septic areas. The STC approved all amendments. LR will update the draft ordinance and submit to Eric Davis for TC approval.

NJUCF Accreditation Status – Millstone has met the requirements of CORE trained individuals; however at least one additional member, other than ET, must obtain a minimum of 2 NJUCF approved CEU's prior to the end of the year.

New Business

Spotted Lanternfly Control. A brief discussion regarding the potential treatment of Spotted Lanternfly was favorable among all STC members. Additional information will be discussed at our next meeting by SD.

ED requested an updated STC roster be prepared and circulated. VT to update the roster.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:50 p.m. VT Motion / BW Seconded

Next meeting: October 12, 2022

Adopted Date: October 12, 2022 ET Motion / VT Seconded