

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE
REGULAR MEETING – 12-11-2024 MEETING MINUTES
7:30 P.M.**



IF ANY STC MEMBERS ARE GOING TO BE LATE OR NOT ABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE GIVE US THE COURTESY OF A PHONE CALL

To join the Shade Tree scheduled Zoom meeting, click here:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6755709146?pwd=TGV4aXZ5RGZEdFJoNGxkYkZ3YVRYQT09>

Meeting ID: 675 570 9146
 Passcode: 123

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – by Chairman Scott D’Amico at 7:32 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Arrived Late</u>
Scott D’Amico	X	0	0
Patricia Basko	0	X	0
Mark Mamrega	0	X	0
Victoria Talyansky	X	0	0
Bruce Wolf	X	0	0
Marianne Heyesey, Board Secretary	X	0	0
Committeeperson Eric Davis, Liaison	X	0	0
Kevin Scibilia, LTE	X	0	0

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Chairman D’Amico

MOMENT OF SILENCE – Led by Chairman D’Amico

GUESTS - None

UPDATE FROM COMMITTEEMAN DAVIS

- 37-41 Burnt Tavern Road Development Project Update – not subject to new tree ordinance. Motion to Resubmit previous comments from the STC. Add we ask for contribution to the Shade Tree Trust. M/Victoria Talyansky S/Chairman Scott D’Amico. 3 ayes. Motion carried.
- Tree Removal Ordinance Proposed changes update – legal size buffer. Committeeman Davis to reach out to Township Planner McKinley Mertz to draft an amendment for approval by the Township Committee.

- Shade Tree Trust – need “outline of expenditures” for Township Committee. This is still an “open item”.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT – Scott D’Amico

MOMS Millstone – Adopting a commemorative Tree Donation Program Update – need to get this project to fruition. Victoria Talyansky & Board Secretary are investigating plaques.

KEVIN SCIBILIA, LICENSED TREE EXPERT

- Heritage Tree Removal Permits
- 37 & 41 Burnt Tavern Road Bl.57, Lot 17.04 – Sent to Shade Tree Commission for review & comments on 11/07/2024. Discussed see “Update from Committeeman Davis”

DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON REPORT - Bruce Wolf

- Date to sit down with Township Administrator and Committeeman Eric Davis to draft a tree planation at Millstone Park?

TREASURER’S REPORT – Victoria Talyansky

- Shade Tree Budget Account Status
- Shade Tree Proposed Budget for 2025 – January meeting
- Annual Year End Purchasing Cutoff - December 17

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR - None

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Table for January 2025 meeting

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence is on file with Board Secretary and all Shade Tree members have received via email.

OLD BUSINESS

- McDonald’s Donation – received email response from Danielle Sims
- Millstone Park Landscaping & Arboretum Update – Bruce Wolf
- Webpage Administrator – Victoria Talyansky. Will post Save the Date for Environmental Commission 19th Annual Stream Clean Up – Saturday, April 12, 2025
- Salem Oak Tree update – Patty Basko – plaque update. Patty has donated a plaque and the STC thanks Patty for her generosity and time spent on the STC.

NEW BUSINESS

- **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Township of Millstone Shade Tree Commission will hold its regular official monthly meeting on the second Wednesday of each month (In-person or via Zoom) in the year 2025 at 7:30 p.m. commencing with our Reorganization Meeting on January 08, 2025. Formal action may be taken at these meetings.

January 08, 2025 - (reorganization meeting)

February 12, 2025

March 12, 2025
April 09, 2025
May 14, 2025
June 11, 2025
July 09, 2025
August 13, 2025
September 10, 2025
October 08, 2025
November 12, 2025
December 10, 2025

- Terms expiring 12/31/2024: Scott D'Amico, Mark Mamrega and Patty Basko
- Patty Basko – Does not wish to be reappointed term ending 12/31/2024
- At this time Scott D'Amico announced he does not wish to be reappointed and Kevin Sibilila, LTE advised he has not submitted an RFP to Millstone Township for 2025.
- Other

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Bruce Wolf and seconded by Victoria Talyansky
At 8:48 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: REORGANIZATION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2025
7:30 p.m. – VIA ZOOM