

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE
REGULAR MEETING – 06-12-2024 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

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Meeting ID: 675 570 9146
 Passcode: 123

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – by Chairman D’Amico at 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – led by Chairman Scott D’Amico

MOMENT OF SILENCE – led by Chairman Scott D’Amico

GUESTS

Jenee Schutz and Rebecca Rollo of Moms Club of Millstone Township. Jenee & Rebecca sent an email to the Shade Tree making us aware of a commemorative tree program that is available in Allentown, NJ. The Shade Tree Commission members present were very supportive of a program like this to be implemented in Millstone Township. Chairman D’Amico will contact Allentown Shade Tree Commission Chairman and obtain information on this program. Irrigation of course is major concern and location. Further discussion to be held at our July meeting.

UPDATE FROM COMMITTEEMAN DAVIS (Present)

First Reading at Township Committee meeting of 06/05/2024 re trees in the right of way, who is responsible? Further discussion from Committeeman Davis at July meeting.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT – Scott D’Amico

- NJUCF Seminars Update – Patty Basko
- Tree City USA – when did Millstone Township become a Tree City USA? When is this up in 2025? Chairman D’Amico will investigate and report at our July meeting.
- Shade Tree Commission needs to comment in 37 Burnt Tavern Road

KEVIN SCIBILIA, LICENSED TREE EXPERT

- Heritage Tree Removal Permits – any received? We will need to confirm with Code Enforcement Nick Procaccini

DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON REPORT - Bruce Wolf

- Committeeman Eric Davis was asked to send an email to Kevin Abernathy to sit down with Bruce & Eric to discuss a draft for a tree planting in Millstone Park.
- Chairman D’Amico thanked Mr. Wolf for his tree donation for Arbor Day and the video he submitted. He reports all is good with the tree which was planted at Millstone Park.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Victoria Talyansky

Shade Tree Budget Account Status as of received from Finance Department

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR – None

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF 04/10/2024

M/Chairman Scott D’Amico S/Patty Basko – to approve meeting minutes of 04/10/2024 meeting. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

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

OLD BUSINESS

- NJUCF Compliance Update – Chairman D’Amico
Green Community grant – Community Forest Management Plan.
Chairman D’Amico investigated and this was for further down into south Jersey and Millstone did not qualify.
- Millstone Park Landscaping & Arboretum Update – Bruce Wolf – need to get water out to park.
- Webpage Administrator – Victoria Talyansky
- Email dated 04/15/2024 from Ruth Platt – STC needs to respond.
- Joint Plan Review Meeting with Environmental Commission – 05/28/2024 – Patty Basko – Patty & Kevin Scibilia attended, and it went very well.
- Salem Oak Tree update – Patty Basko reports it is doing great, protected from deer and rabbits.

NEW BUSINESS

- MOMS Millstone email dated 06/05/2024 – Adopting a commemorative Tree Donation Program – discussed earlier (see above).
- Other

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Chairman D’Amico and seconded by Victoria Talyansky at 8:34 p.m. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024
7:30 p.m. – VIA ZOOM