

NEW HOPE BOROUGH SHADE TREE COMMISSION

AGENDA

September 19, 2018

- I. **Borough Liaison Introduction**
- II. **Approval of minutes from August 15 meeting**
- III. **Review: Status of Action Steps/Old Business/Letter Tracking spreadsheet - Action steps in Bold**

Old Business – items remain pending

- Pending items:
 - 39 New Street: Wants to remove a tree to put in a driveway. This was approved based on conditions that they come back with a plan for planting a new tree. Construction has not yet started. **Need to revisit in 2018; remains pending.** Zoning is aware of planting requirement prior to issuing CO.
 - How to handle sidewalk work that results in tree root damage; Laurie to discuss with Division of Public Works (DPW). **Gloria to follow up with Tom Carroll.**
 - 94 New Street: replanting of new tree pending; Ron to talk with Glen Stefan about landscaping plan. Talked with Lance Landscape about submission of plans (7/6/18).
 - 45 New St. visit to review project status (2015 removal).
 - 155 W. Bridge St.; emergency application reviewed/verbally approved. A letter required to inform owner of replacement tree requirement by October 31, 2018.

New business:

- Alison Kingsley - Plantings
- New Applications:
 - 182 S. Main Street – Removal of two trees
- Inventory review of South & North Main Street continued 7/2/18 & 8/13/18 & 9/18/18.
- Review long term plans for the STC; include items shared by Anita (please give this some thought for a discussion, if time allows):
 - Establish a long-range street tree replacement plan, incorporating prudent risk management techniques; Matt Weibel, SavATree, provided suggestions;
 - Consider the appointment of an Environmental Advisory Council to advise the Borough Council and educate the community on the protection, conservation and management of natural resources (partnering with the Parks & Rec Committee and Friends of the Delaware Canal). Junior Council members to be involved; **Jr. Council status for tree review in October?**
 - Development of tri-fold for distribution to businesses along main shopping areas outlining how and why to maintain street trees. (Benefits, link to STC web page with forms, list of street trees and certified arborists); DRAFT shared with owner of Savioni Boutique for feedback.
- Next meeting: October 17, 2018