

MIDDLESEX SHADE TREE COMMISSION
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2022
7P.M.
MIDDLESEX MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AGENDA

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Bond with the following statement:

“This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Law in that the requirements of the Law have been met by the Annual Meeting Notice being forwarded to the Courier News and posted in the Municipal Building of the Borough and on the Borough Website on December 10, 2021, amended March 14, 2022 and June 10, 2022 and filed in accordance with the law.”

2. Roll Call:

Jason Bond, Chairman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jim Gorman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sean Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jeff Killian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frank Ryan	<input type="checkbox"/>
Doug Rex, Council Representative	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Meeting opened to the public – public recognized – public portion of meeting closed.
4. Acceptance of the September 8, 2022 Shade Tree Meeting Minutes
5. Review of the Finance Report for September, 2022
6. Communications:

9/12 131 Cook Ave. – Resident requested that this shade tree be assessed as it appears to be dying.

9/13 805 Drake Avenue – Resident requested that the Commission assess the tree in front of property.

9/28 56 Ramsey Road – DPW Superintendent requested that the Shade Tree commission inspect the tree in front of this property.

10/3 521 Giles Avenue – Resident concerned about tree roots that are getting in her pipes from the borough shade tree.

10/3 111 Grove Street – Resident requested commission look at the tree in front of this property that is in the wires.

10/12 512 Fairview Avenue – Resident is requesting that Shade Tree commissioner look at the 3 trees in front of her property to evaluate.

10/19 23 Washington Avenue – DPW Superintendent requested that tree e checked.

10/25 316 Raphael Ave. – Resident requested that her tree be revisited, as branches dropped and damaged car. Secretary forwarded a “Claim against the Borough” for her to file with the JIF.(See email)

10/27 54 Delaware Ave. – Chairman Bond looked at this tree and determined that the large pin oak at the corner should have a prune of the dead branches 2” in diameter and larger and service wires cleared. The multi-stemmed Norway maple next to it needs a crown clean of the dead branches 2” in diameter and larger.

11/4 210 Second Street – Resident requested that tree in front of her property be trimmed.

11/9 201 Fairfield Ave. – Resident requested that the Commission look at the trees that are hanging over his house which are on the Grandview side of his property.

7. Work Agenda

8. Unfinished Business

1. RFP for Tree Inventory – Update from J. Bond
2. Shade Tree – Chapter 395 Revisions – Commission begin review
3. Dedication of property on Raritan Avenue as a tree arboretum – Plan sent to Joe Costa

9. New Business

1. Fall Planting – Required quotes & locations
2. Budget Update – Remaining Funds
3. JLUB Application – Baekeland Ave. (Block 356, Lot 1)
4. JLUB Application – 730 South Avenue (Block 267, Lot 3)
5. Mailer to be sent to Tree Contractors

10. Adjournment