

MIDDLESEX SHADE TREE COMMISSION
REMOTE MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021
7:30 P.M.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
1200 MOUNTAIN AVENUE
MIDDLESEX, NJ

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 8, 2020, amended March 19, 2021 and filed in accordance with the law.”

2. Roll Call:

Jason Bond, Chairman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Gitler	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jim Gorman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sean Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jeff Killian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Martin Quinn, Representative	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Meeting opened to the public – public recognized – public portion of meeting closed.
4. Acceptance of the March 11, 2021 Shade Tree Meeting Minutes
5. Acceptance of the Finance Report for March, 2021
6. Communications:

3/15 130 Walnut Street – Neighbor requested that shade tree in front of this property be check to see if it is dead or diseased.

3/22 150 Farragut – Resident concerned about the dead branches that are falling and that the tree appears to be dying and would like Shade Tree to look at it.

3/22 307 Ashland Road – Resident feels that the borough tree is dying, and there are dead limbs around the wires and hanging.

3/23 206 Walnut Street – resident requested that the low hanging branches over the sidewalk in front of her home be trimmed.

3/23 207 Stephenson Ave. – Resident requested that branch that is lodged in tree (hanging) be removed. The DPW is unable to handle this branch removal.

3/24 336 Melrose Avenue – Resident would like the Commission to look at the oak tree at the corner of property between Osceola and Melrose Avenue and also tree in front of his property.

3/24 159 Shepherd Avenue – Resident would like 2 maple tree in front of property that are dying removed.

3/26 433 Fairview Avenue – Resident reported that branch fell on her car and wants tree removed. She requested that commissioner speak to her when coming to evaluate the tree.

3/29 655 Lorraine Avenue – Resident concerned about the tree leaning over her back yard fence from borough property. This tree is located next to the retention pond area behind the Police Department (they are leaning on plastic fence – 2 trees on either end of the fence).

4/1 7 East Wilson Street – resident concerned of large tree limbs in vines at the corner of the property (vacant lot). This is dangerous as tree limbs are falling.

7. Work Agenda

8. Unfinished Business

1. Ordinance #2027-21 – Approved at 3/23/21 Council Meeting
2. Stewardship Grant – See email dated 3/1/2021

9. New Business

1. Arbor Day Proclamation
2. Tree Seedling pick up – April 14 2021 9-2PM (Round Valley)(Tentative pending COVID)
3. Tree City USA Award

10. Adjournment