

MIDDLESEX SHADE TREE COMMISSION
REMOTE MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 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 September 10, 2021 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"/>
Martin Quinn, Council Representative	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Meeting opened to the public – public recognized – public portion of meeting closed.
4. Acceptance of the September 9, 2021 Shade Tree Meeting Minutes
5. Acceptance of the Finance Report for September, 2021
6. Communications:

9/14 34 C Street – Resident would like commission look at the oak tree that has a lot of dead branches.

9/13 282 Harris Avenue – Resident stated that evergreen tree is dangerous and also wants 2 other trees trimmed or pruned.

9/15 537 Giles Avenue – Resident stated that tree is dropping large limb and feels that it is dangerous.

9/17 421 North Lincoln – Resident indicated that the tree on the John Street side of the property is dropping branches and appears to be cracked.

9/27 131 Smalley – Property across from this home indicated that branches are falling from this tree and requested that it be pruned.

7. Work Agenda

8. Unfinished Business

1. RFP for Tree Inventory – Mr. Bond
2. 106 Cap Lane – Solar Panel Discussion & Hazard Tree Evaluation (Update)

9. New Business

1. 96th Annual Shade Tree Federation Conference – Crown Plaza, Cherry Hill (October 21 & 22)
2. Appointment of Vice Chairman
3. Tree Management Plan Renewal – Update from J. Bond/Paul Cowey
4. Potential Ordinance Amendment – Allowing residents to request Shade Tree approval to remove shade trees and for them to pay for the removal
5. Confirm documentation needed from members when spotting potential removal of Borough Shade Tree (Call Secretary, Document w/pictures, DPW measure, advise Code Enforcer/Zoning Officer)
6. Shade Tree Donation of Tree in memory of “John Sweeney” (3 Years on Council and on the Greenbrook Flood Control Commission since 2022)

10. Adjournment