

SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
BOROUGH OF MATAWAN
JANUARY 14, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: *Guy Buckel*
Larry Magee
Matthew Schoffel
Councilman Brian Livesey

GUEST: *Grace Rainforth*

The January 14, 2021 meeting started at 5:30 P.M. Larry Magee approved the minutes of November 21, 2020 and Matthew Schoffel second.

Shade Tree reviewed and discussed open permits and residents requests.

Discussed was to raise tree permit fees, To accept Tree proposals when a tree is needed to be taken down within the Borough. The Forest Management Plan was sent out.

Matthew Schoffel would like to start a planting program. Will ask residents if they would like a tree planted on their property. If they say yes, have a booklet of trees that they can choose from. For this program the Shade Tree will have to find a way to finance it.

There is an idea to hire a Certified arborist as an advisor to help with tree permits and other tree inquiries.

Arbor day is April 30, 2021. Grace Rainforth told Shade Tree they can put potted trees at the Recycling Center for residents to take if they want them.

Matthew Schoffel motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 P.M. and Guy Buckel second. The next meeting will be February 11, 2021 in the conference room at MMCC, 201 Broad Street at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary McMurray
Secretary