

**SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**BOROUGH OF MATAWAN**  
**September 14, 2023**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** *Guy Buckel*  
*Matthew Schoffel*  
*Larry Magee*  
*Sue Patla*  
*Councilman Brian Livesy*  
*Councilwoman Deana Gunn*

**ABSENT:** *Ray Stuetz*

**GUEST:** *Sally Stilwell*  
*Councilwoman Melanie Wang*

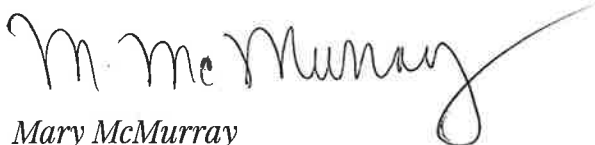
*The September 14, 2023 meeting started at 5:30 P.M. Matthew Schoffel approved the minutes of August 10, 2023 and Larry Magee second.*

*Shade Tree Conference on October 26, 2023 in Cherry Hill, NJ. Matthew Schoffel and Larry Magee will be attending. It is a requirement for the Forest Management Program. Matthew Schoffel has addresses from last year for the tree planting program who are interested. Matawan Day is October 7, 2023 The Shade Tree Commission will have a table and handout information and programs that are available.*

*Councilwoman Melanie Wang had concerns regarding 3 trees that she thought were sick and was concerned they would fall and damage property. The Shade Tree Commission sent Gary Lovallo, Matawan Borough Arborist, to examine the trees. Upon his inspection he recommended one tree to be taken down. The other two trees weren't taken down. Maybe sometime in the future they will be taken down depending on the condition of the trees.*

*Sue Patla motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 P.M. and Guy Buckel second. The next meeting will be October 12, 2023 in the conference room at MMCC, 201 Broad St at 5:30 P.M.*

*Respectfully Submitted*



*Mary McMurray*  
*Secretary*