

SHADE TREE COMMISSION
BOROUGH OF MATAWAN
September 14, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jerry Hourihan, Jr.
Larry Magee
Matt Schoffel

MEMBER ABSENT: Councilman Mike Caldon

GUEST: Nancy B. Haddock--Matawan/Aberdeen Rotary

The September 14th meeting started at 5 P.M. Jerry Hourihan, Jr. approved the minutes of August 12, 2017 and Matt Schoffel seconded.

Nancy Haddock of the Matawan/Aberdeen Rotary Club spoke about a tree planting project in Matawan for 2018. This is a world wide project but since Matawan only has 6 members the maximum number of trees would be six. Nancy asked our committee what types of trees and where to plant them. Also if trees would be guaranteed and if they die could they be replaced. The Rotary at present cannot afford large trees and Matt suggested small to medium trees that could be planted in one location and then in a few years be replanted in permanent spot. Nancy asked if a plaque could also be placed stating the tree was a gift from the Rotary Club. There is a High School Interact program (which is Rotary Club in the High School) and perhaps the students would be able to donate additional trees. Jerry, Matt, and Larry will meet next week to discuss possible location sites.

Matt indicated that the cleanup around Lake Matawan has not started and he will contact Garden State Landscaping. Jerry indicated there is a community service person doing general maintenance at Terhune Park, Memorial Park, and Jackson Street Park. Larry asked if community service person could weed the area at Terhune Park which borders on Broad Street. Matt asked about tree stumps on Ravine Drive between the school and Tree Haven Apartments. Trees were cut down sometime ago and stumps remain.

Larry Magee motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 P.M. and Jerry Hourihan, Jr. seconded. The next meeting will be October 12, 2017 in the Environmental/Property Office at MMCC, 201 Broad Street at 5 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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