CHATHAM BOROUGH SHADE TREE COMMISSION February 19, 2019 7:30 p.m.

Chrmn. Colleen Truppo called this Regular Meeting of the Borough Shade Tree Commission to order at 7:30 p.m., Room 301, upper level, Chatham Borough Hall. The Open Public Meetings Act was read aloud.

| Name | Present | Absent |
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| Colleen Truppo, Chrmn. | Х | |
| Fran Drew | | Х |
| Kristy Chmura | Х | |
| Ken Chmura | Х | |
| Dean Wilson | Х | |
| John Tortorella | Х | |
| Council Member James | Х | |
| Collander | | |
| Patrick Florentino | Х | |
| Tony Torello, Shade Tree | | X |
| Enforcement Officer | | |
| Beverly Klepper | Х | |
| Liz Holler, Minutes Secretary | | X – at a HPC meeting |

Chrmn. Truppo kindly took the meeting minutes in Ms. Holler's absence.

Administration of Oaths of Office

The following new Commissioners were sworn in: Patrick Florentino – Regular Member Beverly Klepper – First Alternate

Public Comments

There were none

Motion to Adopt Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the January 15, 2019 Shade Tree Commission meeting were approved as submitted.

Discussion Items

Update on Vegetation Management

State Senate Bill S2505 is still on hold for the moment. Chrmn. Truppo updated the group that the State Senate does not currently have any vote scheduled at this time. Mr. Chmura shared copies of his emails that he had received from State Senators Tom Kean, Jr. and Jon Bramnick. All members of the Shade Tree Commission are encouraged to stay involved and aware of this legislation.

<u>Arbor Day – 2019</u>

Ms. Chmura is looking into venues for the Annual Arbor Day concert. The concert will likely be held in early May. Chrmn. Truppo is also working with the Library of the Chathams on a tree-related educational program. This year Arbor Day will be celebrated on Friday, April 26th.

Continuing Education Unit (CEU) Reminder

Chrmn. Truppo reminded Commissioners to obtain CEU credits. Credit opportunities are available through webinars and the annual Shade Tree Federation Convention. Core training is also available. Mr. Chmura and Ms. Chmura will be obtaining Core Training at Rutgers on March 23rd.

The meeting adjourned for the evening.

The next Chatham Borough Shade Tree Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, 7:30 p.m., Room 301, upper level, Chatham Borough Hall.

Respectfully submitted:

Liz Holler Minutes Secretary