

NEW HOPE BOROUGH SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes for September 18, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Gloria Broeker, Chairperson

Others present: Anita Maximo; Frank DeLuca; Bob Margadonna, Resident

Absent: Ron Gering

The minutes for the August 28th meeting were approved.

Old Business:

- Pending items:
 - Letters to property owners regarding dead trees; update based on a physical review of trees and identification of property owners. **Update:** Five letters were issued last week to property owners.
 - Logan Inn landscape plans: results of Council meeting this week. **Update:** Requests were approved by Council.
 - A review of tree pits on Bridge Street between the river and canal confirmed that several pits are good candidates for porous pave material; **quotes will be solicited** in August for the work to be conducted in September/October. Will coordinate with Code Enforcement regarding sidewalk issues on Bridge Street. **Update:** Waiting for quotes from Hugh Marshall. Will move quickly to schedule the work.

New Business

- **18 Chestnut Street:** Tree #254 (American sycamore) is dead. Arborist evaluated the tree. Motion was made and approved to have the tree removed and replaced by October 31st.
- Gloria met with Steve Olkowski regarding sidewalk work being coordinated with working on tree pits. Will coordinate with Code Enforcement on work being done at 3 and 9 W. Bridge Street.
- Request for the Arbor Day proclamation and application for Tree City USA were approved at the Council meeting in September. Gloria will handle our submission when the application process opens later this month.
- Review of long-term plans for the STC:
 - Establish a long-range street tree replacement plan, incorporating prudent risk management techniques and trending conditions noted in the 2019 tree inventory.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Next meeting: 7:00 pm on October 16, 2019.