

Moorestown Tree Planting and Preservation Committee

March 10, 2020 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with Sandy Daniels, Jay Hartman, Dawn Bohr, John Gibson, Brian Leusner, Carl Cutler, Dave Daily, Lisa Petriello, Kathy Logue and John Greim in attendance.

The February minutes were accepted as read.

Public Works Report
2/12/20- 3/10/20

- 23 tree trims
- 9 removals
- 7 days- call-ins
- 1.5 days- annual accomplishment report
- 1 day- equipment maintenance
- 1 day- brush pick up at Strawbridge Lake
- 3.5 days- stump grinding
- 2 days- ISA Conference

Kathy sent out a notice on the tree pruning workshop. She will send out articles about volcano mulching soon.

There is nothing new about the CSIP grant.

The tree pruning workshop will be on March 19th. Attendees will meet at the police station for a half hour training session and then go to Wesley Bishop Park to do actual pruning. There should be about 20 attending.

There has been no progress made on the tree ordinance enforcement. Brian is still waiting to have a meeting with Tony and the zoning enforcement officers. There is worry about the statute of limitations affecting some of the violations which have not been enforced as yet. There are 4 backlogged violations as of now.

Arbor Day will be at Perkins on April 24th. The Roberts School chorus will perform several songs. A Tupelo tree will be planted along with several remembrance trees. We need to pick out planting spots soon. Jay and Carl will pick up the trees in Jackson from NJ Recovery Campaign sometime before Arbor Day.

Jay has no more information about the arboretum program. The next step is to do a new inventory along with a new map.

The garden club has asked the committee to have an educational exhibit for their flower show on May 15th. We will have information on the inventory and SLF etc.

There was an email asking if it is necessary to get a permit to have a remembrance tree planted at Strawbridge Lake. They would have to contact Public Works to make arrangements. John asked Dave if he could coordinate with Public Works when these requests come in. It was suggested a remembrance grove be established at Strawbridge Lake for these requests.

There was a discussion on the tree topping that occurred at the Virtua complex on Young Avenue.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.