

Shade Tree/Environmental Commission

Beachwood Municipal Complex

1600 Pinewald Road

May 20, 2019 – Minutes

7:00 PM

Call to Order and Flag Salute were led by Chairman Schmidt.

Opening Statement: Ladies and Gentlemen, pursuant to the applicable portions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given. The schedule of this meeting of the Environmental/Shade Tree Commission of the Borough of Beachwood is listed in the notice of meetings posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Municipal Complex Building and delivered to the Asbury Park Press on January 23, 2019.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Maria Bird, Carl Schmidt

ALSO PRESENT: Councilman Zakar

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Theresa Nielsen

MEMBERS ABSENT:

DUE TO ONLY TWO MEMBERS PRESENT MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2019 MEETING COULD NOT APPROVE.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Community Garden Clean- Up Report. Mr. Schmidt reported that approximate 30 attendees from Troop 70 came out on May 11th. Parents and cub scouts did a great job cleaning out walkways and all garden plots except for five.

For their great endeavor the Environmental Shade Tree Commission has made the recommendation that any attendee who wishes to garden a plot this year may do it for free. We did have one of the leaders ask for a plot in order to raise vegetables for the food bank of St. Paul's.

In order to reduce excess growth in the plots of weeds, council members discussed the possibility of obtaining tarps to cover the plot areas.

2. New Jersey Tree Seedling Distribution Report. The free seedling distribution on April 26th was a success with all 175 seedlings taken. People came from Beachwood, Pine Beach, Lanoka Harbor, Barnegat, Bayville, Lacey, Whiting, and Toms River. Mr. Schmidt sent the sign up sheet to Alec McCartney on May 8, 2019.

3. Composting Demonstration Update for the Girl Scouts. Mr. Schmidt reported he received a memo from Sandra B Snow, Recycling Program Aide of the Ocean County Solid Waste Management Department informing him of numerous educational items for adults and children that she could provide. There would be literature handouts, coloring books, recycling wheels, and display board. Mr. Schmidt and Mrs. Bird had obtained shoebox containers that would be distributed as Compost Collection Bins after their presentations.

Mr. Schmidt explained he would cover the details of composting and re-cycling while Mrs. Bird would do a presentation on the types of compost collection containers that could be used, as well as, outdoor compost bins.

The pavilion outside the Mayo Park Recreation building would be used as the demonstration area on May 24th from 6 – 7 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Schmidt announced he had received an invitation for the Commission to attend the annual Community Day on August 25th from Geralynn Roma, Coordinator. Commission accepted the Invitation and will discuss a display in next meeting.
2. Councilman, Ed Zakar, made a suggestion that the Shade Tree/Environmental Commission consider setting up a display at the Family Community Nights that occur Monday nights.

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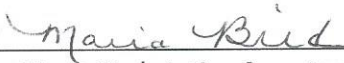
Motion: Ms. Bird	Second: Mr. Schmidt
Approve: All	Oppose:
Abstain:	

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Motion: Mr. Schmidt	Second: Ms. Bird
Approve: All	Oppose:
Abstain:	

ADJOURNED AT 7:40 PM

Prepared by: Maria Bird



Maria Bird, Acting Secretary

Attested by: 

Carl Schmidt, Chairman