Environmental Shade Tree Committee Beachwood Municipal Complex 1600 Pinewald Road

August 21, 2023 – 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 9, 2023.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Maria Bird, Ellen Harrigan, Theresa Nielsen, Carl Schmidt

ALSO PRESENT: Ed Zakar, Councilman, Colleen Oropeza, Pat Burns

MEMBERS EXCUSED: MEMBERS ABSENT:

RESOLUTION #2023-11 Approval of July 17, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion:

Ms. Bird

Second:

Ms. Harrigan

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Home Gardening Contest Results

Thank you to Ms. Harrigan for a job well done. Congratulations to the winners. Most Bountiful and Most Unique: Catherine Zorborney; Largest Tomato: Curt Gisinger; Largest Squash, Ugliest Vegetable and Most Farthest from Home: Pat Burns. Members discussed how we can make if better. Would like to see it posted on the main page of the Boro website. Look for community board areas, post in Mayo Park, created lawn signs to post at movies in the park.

2. Community Garden

Mr. Schmidt reported that top soil was delivered and mulch is available.

3. Community Day

Mr. Schmidt reported that set up starts at 10:00 am. Bring your own chairs. Ocean County Solid Waste has brochures on recycling and composting. Mr. Schmidt will pick up on Friday. Ms. Bird will have pictures of the Community Garden as well.

4. Clean Up Project

Mr. Schmidt reported that this is on hold for this year. We can do it ourselves with rider on Boro insurance policy. Plan for April 2024. Look for areas that need attention.

5. 2024 Calendar

Mr. Schmidt reported that he submitted the calendar to the Boro Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Board Member Resignation

Ms. Nielsen announced that she will be stepping down as of December 31, 2023 due to family issues and will no longer be a Beachwood Resident.

OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:46 PM

Motion:

Ms. Harrigan

Second:

Ms. Nielsen

Approve:

All

Oppose:

Abstain:

Ms. Burns reported that someone is taking her produce and has posted a sign in the garden.

Thank you to Anthony Zorborney for weeding the garden.

CLOSE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:54PM

Motion:

Ms. Bird

Second:

Ms. Harrigan

Approve:

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Oppose:

Abstain:

ADJOURNED AT 7:55 PM

Motion:

Ms. Bird

Second:

Ms. Harrigan

Approve:

All

Oppose:

Abstain:

Prepared by: Theresa Nielsen

Theresa Nielsen, Secretary

Attested by: Carl Schmecht

Carl Schmidt, Chairman