Shade Tree/Environmental Commission **Beachwood Municipal Complex** 1600 Pinewald Road

February 16, 2021 – 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 was submitted on January 9, 2021 and is listed in the notice of meetings posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Municipal Complex Building.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Maria Bird, Theresa Nielsen, Carl Schmidt

ALSO PRESENT: Councilman Zakar, Pat Zakar

MEMBERS EXCUSED: MEMBERS ABSENT:

RESOLUTION #2021 - 1 Selection of Chairman:

Ms. Bird opened the nominations for Chairman. Motion by Ms. Bird, seconded by Ms. Nielsen to nominate Carl Schmidt. There being no further nominations, the Secretary casts the unanimous vote. Carl Schmidt, Chairman.

RESOLUTION #2021 - 2 Selection of Vice Chairman:

Mr. Schmidt opened the nominations for Chairman. Motion by Ms. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Schmidt to nominate Maria Bird. There being no further nominations, the Secretary casts the unanimous vote. Maria Bird, Vice Chairman.

RESOLUTION #2021 – 3 Selection of Secretary:

Mr. Schmidt opened the nominations for Secretary. Motion by Ms. Bird, seconded by Mr. Schmidt to nominate Theresa Nielsen. There being no further nominations, the Secretary casts the unanimous vote. Theresa Nielsen, Secretary.

RESOLUTION #2021 – 4 Approval of Meeting Dates for 2021:

Motion:

Ms. Bird

Second:

Ms. Nielsen

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

RESOLUTION #2021 – 5 Approval of Minutes from November 17, 2020 meeting:

Motion:

Ms. Bird

Second:

Mr. Schmidt

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

OLD BUSINESS:

Spring Recycling Program

Mr. Schmidt reported that the program is scheduled for Friday, May 28, 2021. He is working with the County to obtain updated handouts.

2. Community Garden

Mr. Schmidt reported that he received an email from an interested party with questions about the garden. They asked about where they could plant and what do they need to do if they go on vacation. Mr. Schmidt sent an email with answers to these questions.

3. Earth Day 2021 Poster Contest

Members discussed the contest and it was unanimously decided to postpone to next year since the schools are still doing remote learning with partial in school classes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2021 State of New Jersey Tree Recovery Program

Mr. Schmidt reported that the Mayor approved of us participating in the program. The paperwork was submitted with a request for 200 tree seedlings. The distribution will take place on April 30th (Arbor Day) at Mayo Park Center from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:22 PM

Motion:

Ms. Nielsen

Second:

Ms. Bird

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

CLOSE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:24 PM

Motion:

Ms. Bird

Second:

Ms. Nielsen

Approve: All Abstain:

Oppose:

ADJOURNED AT 7:25 PM

Motion:

Ms. Nielsen

Second:

Ms. Bird

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

Prepared by: Theresa Nielsen

Attested by: Carl Le