## Environmental Shade Tree Committee Beachwood Municipal Complex 1600 Pinewald Road

July 17, 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, Eric Cicerello, Colleen Oropeza, Kyle - Student

Ambassador, Rally for Barnegat Bay

MEMBERS EXCUSED: MEMBERS ABSENT:

## **RESOLUTION #2023-10 Approval of June 19, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Motion:

Ms. Harrigan

Second:

Ms. Bird

Approve:

All

Oppose:

Abstain:

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### 1. Community Garden

Mr. Schmidt reported that 8 lots are paid for; 9 are active. Gate has been fixed. Mulch arriving midweek. Walkways and grass are being sprayed with vinegar water to keep the weeds down. The hose holder has been fixed. Ms. Zoborney requested two additional lots. Motion made and seconded to approve this request. Members thanked Pat Burns for weeding and cleaning of the garden. Ms. Harrigan reported that at the last meeting we approved Ms. Burns to have 2 additional lots to grow vegetables to give to those in need. Unfortunately Ms. Burns could not join us tonight but wanted to let everyone know that she will be distributing the vegetables from her home and not at the garden.

#### 2. Community Day

Mr. Schmidt reported that he confirmed with Municipal Alliance and will have more details at the next meeting. Ms. Bird reported that she picked up a garden gnome to raffle off. Mr. Schmidt also reported that he is still waiting to hear back from Ocean County.

3. Clean Up Project

Ms. Oropeza reported that they have selected the trail south of the elementary school to be done on Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Simpson, Coordinator for Save Barnegat Bay, needs to submit paperwork to the Boro Clerk. Flyer needs to have the Beachwood Clean Community logo on it. A litter survey needs to be completed by each person participating. Mr. Simpson will supply the bags, gloves and goggles. Public Works will pick up the bags.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Calendar Submission for 2024 Borough Calendar
 Mr. Schmidt provided with the agenda the 2024 meeting dates. Members were instructed to review and bring back any changes to the next meeting.

### OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:36 PM

Motion:

Ms. Harrigan

Second:

Ms. Bird

Approve:

All

Oppose:

Abstain:

Home Gardening Contest – Ms. Harrigan provided rules for the contest. Members reviewed and approved. Ms. Harrigan to send to the Boro Clerk for posting on the Boro website.

Green Fest – Ms. Oropeza presented a list of considerations for the fest. It would take place the end of April or May on a Friday evening or weekend afternoon. She suggested that we use Mayo Park. Members to review and further discuss at next meeting.

#### **CLOSE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:45PM**

Motion:

Ms. Bird

Second:

Ms. Harrigan

Approve:

All

Oppose:

Abstain:

#### **ADJOURNED AT 7:46 PM**

Motion:

Ms. Harrigan

Second:

Ms. Bird

Approve:

All

Oppose:

Abstain:

Prepared by: Theresa Nielsen

Theresa Nielsen Secretary

Attested by: Carl Schnickt

Carl Schmidt, Chairman