Shade Tree/Environmental Commission Beachwood Municipal Complex 1600 Pinewald Road

November 17, 2020 – Minutes 7:00 PM

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

<u>Opening Statement</u>: 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 25, 2020.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Maria Bird, Theresa Nielsen, Carl Schmidt

ALSO PRESENT: Councilman Zakar, Pat Zakar

MEMBERS EXCUSED: MEMBERS ABSENT:

RESOLUTION #2020 – 8 Approval of Minutes from September 21, 2020 meeting:

Motion: Ms. Bird

Second:

Ms. Nielsen

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. October 19, 2020 Meeting

It was noted that this meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum which was due to COVID-19 restrictions.

2. Spring Recycling Training

Mrs. Zakar reported that due to Mayo Park already reserved for the date we selected, it has been moved to May 28, 2021. Mr. Schmidt reported that he is looking into getting updated literature from Ocean County Recycle. Members discussed the number of participants that will be allowed which is up to 30. It was suggested to have participants bring an item they feel is recyclable. Other suggestions included a scavenger hunt, bingo game and a game about bulk vs. local recycling.

3. Community Garden

Mr. Schmidt reported that the garden is closed. Members discussed the following issues: need to look at COVID restrictions, not open the garden but do maintenance which depends on number of applications received, need more mulch/soil, use top soil but treat with Preen and update garden rules and regulations with COVID precautions. Mr. Schmidt and Councilman Zakar to meet and categorize what needs to be done.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:40 PM

Motion:

Ms. Bird

Second:

Ms. Nielsen

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

Mrs. Zakar presented the Commission with the Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore Regional Good Neighbor award in recognition for all they do for the community. The Members thanked Mrs. Zakar for this honor.

Mrs. Zakar also discussed the Earth Day poster project that was postponed last year due to COVID. Ms. Nielsen to bring last year's flyer to the next meeting to review.

CLOSE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:48 PM

Motion:

Ms. Nielsen

Second:

Ms. Bird

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

ADJOURNED AT 7:55 PM

Motion:

Ms. Bird

Second:

Ms. Nielsen

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

Prepared by: Theresa Nielsen

Attested by: Larl Schmid