

TOWN OF CLINTON SHADE TREE COMMISSION MINUTES

July 16, 2020 AT 7:30 PM VIA ZOOM

Meeting was called to order by Chairman John Kashwick at 7:32 pm

Attendance: John Kashwick, Cecilia Sailer, Patricia Daley, Ross Traphagen (Council Liaison)

Motion to approve the minutes from June was made by John and seconded by Pat. Carried by voice vote.

Homeowner at 1 Hillside Drive want a tree taken down as they state it is dead. The tree is about 5 feet from the curb. Cecilia will go by Hillside Drive and take a look at the tree.

John discussed the CEU's and we are to send any forms to Pam at pam.zipse@rutgers.edu.

Looks like any 2020 Grants are on hold by the state for now.

Council Liaison report from Ross: Council will discuss take down of trees, A&P redevelopment. Ross discussed with the Town Council that The Shade Tree commission would like trees placed on the property. Ross suggested they have a meeting with John. He stated that the Historic Commission was concerned about the building design. The design was changed from two buildings to 1 building to get more 1-bedroom apartments in the building. The town also gets one more affordable housing because of the new design. The redevelopment of the Agway property was also discussed at the Town Council meeting. The Agway will be turned into retail and housing.

John discussed reaching out to Lou Spanner regarding the take down of trees.

Pat finished her financial disclosure.

John wants to get buy in from the environmental commission on the Tree preservation ordinance, John will be the liaison between the two commissions. At the next meeting we will discuss the updates from the environmental commission.

No money in the budget for planting of trees this year.

We discussed the possibility of holding the next meeting outside of the Town Hall.

Cecilia requested permission to trim Ash tree branches on their 68 Lakeview Ave property and it was granted.

Next meeting: Thursday, August 20 at 7:30 PM

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cecilia Sailer