

## **TOWN OF CLINTON SHADE TREE COMMISSION MINUTES**

**Via Zoom**

**APPROVED**

**October 15, 2020**

### **Attendees:**

John Kashwick (Chair)

Ross Traphagen (Council Liaison)

Pat Daley

Cecilia Sailer

Meeting was called to order by John Kashwick at 7:37 PM.

No public comments

Council liaison report Ross discussed the Town's effort to locate areas where "Spotted Lantern Fly" are present. The state reported they cannot assist with the removal of the SLF, Ross was told to use straight vinegar on infestations. Reports indicate the trees at the Clinton Presbyterian Church & Cemetery are covered with the SLF. Some Center St. trees are half dead from the infestation.

Correspondence: 3 Spruce Run Road tree should be looked at for take down.

The Sycamore tree in downtown Clinton by the Clean Plate Restaurant should be nominated for the big tree award. A tree at 143 Leigh Street, owner Tamara Healy has a tree that may also qualify as a nominee for the award.

We need 3 more CEUs for 2020. Pat is going to do Core training next week through the NJ Shade Tree Federation's virtual conference.

Ross will be working with the town on the budget in hopes to get back to at least the previous year's budget.

John reminded all to send completed CEUs to Pam Zipse at Rutgers.

Tree City application is due by 2/15/21

John will complete the annual accomplishments report.

Motion to adjourn by Pat and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ross and Cecilia.

Next meeting will take place Thursday, November 18, 2020 at 7:30 PM via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cecilia H. Sailer