BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY
TREE COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2015

The meeting of the Sewickley Borough Tree Commission was held on Monday, June 8, 2015. Chair Kathy Brandt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Sewickley Borough offices, 601 Thorn Street, Sewickley, PA 15143.

Those in attendance were:

Members:
- Kathy Brandt
- Cindy Mullins
- Larry Rice
- Lori Capone

Others:
- Councilman Bill Cornman
- Borough Manager Kevin M. Flannery
- Borough Arborist Jim Edson

I. Approval Of Minutes of May 11, 2015 Meeting

The Minutes of the May 11, 2015 meeting were approved, 3-0-1 (Rice abstaining as he was not present at May meeting), with the following correction:

Under New Business, Arborist's Report, second paragraph:

Delete "addressed " and replace with "discussed." Such that the paragraph reads, "

The Tree Commission discussed property owner requests for tree work at 816 Thorn St., 316 Frederick Ave., 320 Frederick Ave., 528 Cochran St., and 903 Centennial Ave.

Also replace the words "approves recommendation for" from each line with "consider." This reflects that the disposition of these items are under review and consideration by the Tree Commission, such that each item was not "approved" at the meeting but was in fact under consideration until the next meeting.

II. Old business

The Recommendation Activity Sheet was reviewed. Property owner's requests for Tree removal and replanting at 816 Thorn St., 316 Frederick Ave., 528 Cochran Ave. and 903 Centennial Ave. were approved. Tree removal and replanting at 320 Frederick Ave. was not approved as the tree is healthy and poses no danger.

The Recommendation Activity Sheet was approved, 4-0.

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III. NEW BUSINESS

Centennial Avenue: 18 property owners made a request for replanting. The Tree Commission will look at 10 other spots for possible replanting with the goal of replacing the 28 trees that were removed.

Arborist's Report

The Arborist's Report was approved as presented, 4-0.

Mrs. Sirlanni, 215 Chestnut Street, submitted an application for removal of a tree located between the sidewalk and curb. The matter is under consideration.

A request for a memorial tree in memory of Steve Freese was submitted.

Ordinance1152

Kevin Flannery asks the Tree Commission to review Ordinance 1152 and submit comments for revision to update the ordinance. Responses are requested by July 1, 2015.

Mr. Flannery also submitted, by letter of June 4, 2015 to the Tree Commission, proposed language concerning notice by publication and mail when the Borough proposes to plant or remove trees on public rights-of ways. He requests that the Tree Commission adopt a temporary policy to address said notice until the current Ordinance 1152 is finally revised and adopted.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Next Meeting is July 13, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Capone
Secretary