

**MINUTES OF THE TREE COMMISSION  
OF  
THE BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY  
OCTOBER 13, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.**

The meeting of the Sewickley Borough Tree Commission was held on Monday, October 13, 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  
Larry Rice  
Michelle Denk  
Cindy Mullins  
Lori

Others  
Kevin M. Flannery, Borough Manager  
Jim Edson, Borough Arborist

Cirilano

**I. Approval of minutes**

The Minutes of the September 14, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved, as presented.

**II. Old business**

Tree Activity Sheet: Members reviewed the Recommendation Activity Sheet of October 12, 2015. A Fall Tree Planting Day is scheduled for November 7, 2015 at 9:00 AM, where approximately 27 trees will be planted in the Borough, including 21 trees on Centennial Avenue. Citizens are invited to volunteer for this event.

Shade Tree Ordinance: Members presented their final revisions and recommendations for the proposed Shade Tree Ordinance, which will replace Ordinance 1152. On Motion of Michelle Denk, seconded by Larry Rice, a Public Hearing to take comment and forward a recommendation Shade Tree Ordinance is scheduled for the November 9, 2015 meeting.

**III. New Business**

Arborist's Report

The Borough Arborist, Jim Edson, presented the Arborist's Report, highlighting tree pruning, removal and planting scheduled for this fall.

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The Fall Tree Planting Day of November 7, 2015 will encompass planting of about 27 trees, including Centennial, Academy, Frederick, and Cochran Avenues, Broad, Thorn and Ferry Streets, and Locust Place.

Pruning of dead wood on London Plane trees is planned for trees located on Beaver Street, Grove Street and the Borough Building.

Removal of trees is slated for Grove, Centennial, Thorn, Frederick, and Beaver.

The Borough Arborist noted that many trees were lost at the construction project ongoing at 905 Beaver Street. He advises that the Tree Commission and Council establish requirements for preservation of existing trees on properties that are undergoing major construction renovation. This issue would be addressed at the Building Permit application stage, with the purpose of protecting and preserving existing trees by identifying and establishing protection zones around trees at the onset of construction.

On motion of Larry Rice, seconded by Lori Cirilano, the Tree Commission approved (5-0) the Arborist's Report as presented.

**IV. Adjournment**

Next Meeting – Monday, November 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

With no other business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Capone Cirilano  
Secretary