MINUTES OF THE SHADE TREE COMMISSION OF THE BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY

SEPTEMBER 12, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.

The Shade Tree Commission met on Monday, September 12, 2016. Cindy Mullins chaired and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Sewickley Borough offices, 601 Thorn Street, Sewickley, PA 15143. In attendance were:

Members:
Lori Capone Cirilano
Paul Fuener
Cindy Mullins

Of Counsel:
Borough Arborist Jim Edson
Borough Manager Kevin Flannery

Guests: Sean Rollman, Mary Lyn McGinn, Larry Rice

I. Attendees' self-introductions

II.

Guests in attendance briefly introduced themselves.

Sean Rollman of 106 Centennial requested permission for removal of one elm and two pin oaks to make room for a garage and driveway at this property. The Commission voted and approved the plan (3-0), with recommendation that Mr. Rollman submit a landscape plan to Jim Edson for review. (Motion for approval by Paul Fuener, seconded by Lori Cirilano.)

Mary Lyn McGinn brought forth three requests, all of which require further investigation by the Commission. She submitted a request for a Borough tree to be planted at 601 Centennial, and pruning of trees at 301 Chadwick (on the side of White Avenue) and pruning of three Maples on Mulberry Street.

Larry Rice inquired of the status of the tree at 315 Peebles, which matter is addressed in the Arborist's report referenced below.

III. Approval of Minutes of July 11, 2016 Meeting

Approved unanimously by vote 3-0.

IV. Old business

The Commission reviewed and discussed the updated Tree Recommendation Activity Sheet, which is incorporated herein. Item 7, request for permit for tree removal at 325 Centennial Ave. is tabled as the property is for sale and the tree to be removed is a back yard tree.

V. New Business

Arborist's Report:
The Shade Tree Commission reviewed the Arborist Report of September 12, 2016, which was approved, 3-0. The Arborist's Report is incorporated herein.

2017 Budget
A motion to submit the proposed 2017 budget to Sewickley Borough Counsel was approved, 3-0.

2017 Shade Tree Commission Meeting Schedule
A motion to submit the proposed 2017 Shade Tree Commission meeting schedule to Sewickley Borough Counsel was approved, 3-0.

Cindy Mullins submitted a list of Borough trees that she and Kathy Brandt have identified as dead. The list, "Dead Borough Trees, September 12" is included herewith.

Sewickley Borough hosted a "Local Government Academy" seminar: Standing Tall: Fostering Street Tree Health and Community. Our Borough Manager and Arborist, Kevin Flannery and Jim Edson, respectively, were instructors and concluded the seminar with a guided walk about the Borough showcasing Sewickley's investment of trees in our Borough.

VI. Next Meeting

The next Shade Tree Commission meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2016.

The December meeting is normally canceled pursuant to the call of the chair.

VII. Adjournment – the meeting concluded at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Capone Cirilano
Secretary