

**TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF
SHADE TREE COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 1, 2016 6:39 pm**

1. Shade Tree Commission Chair Mark Borst called the Shade Tree Commission Public Business Meeting to order at 6:39 pm in the small conference room on the second floor of Town Hall.
2. Shade Tree Commission Secretary Elaine Booth read the Open Public Meetings statement: "This Public Business Meeting of the Wyckoff Shade Tree Commission is now in session. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this Public Business Meeting appears on our Annual Schedule of meetings. A copy of said Annual Schedule has been posted on the Bulletin Board in Memorial Town Hall; a copy has been filed with the Municipal Clerk, The Record, The Ridgewood News and the North Jersey Herald News - all newspapers which have general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff. At least 48 hours prior to this meeting, the Agenda thereof was similarly posted, filed and mailed to said newspapers." Formal action may be taken at this meeting.
3. Roll Call - Present:
Shade Tree Commission members: Mark Borst, Bill Butler, Scott Fisher, Dan Kindergan
Staff present: Elaine Booth, Shade Tree Commission Secretary
Township Committee Liaison John A. Carolan, Township Committeeman
Absent Glenn Sietsma
4. Approval of the meeting minutes from January 5, 2016 Bill Butler made motion to approve January 5, 2016 meeting minutes as written, seconded by Scott Fisher. All present voted in favor; motion approved.
5. Old Business
 - a. Scott Fisher provided update of tree work accomplished with the help of the utility companies. There were several trees which require the assistance of either Orange Rockland Electric Company or Public Service Electric & Gas since tree branches are involved or touching the wires or the trees are located extremely close to the utility pole.
6. New Business
 - a. Shade Tree Secretary distributed membership cards from the Shade Tree Federation to all members.
 - b. Discussion concerning Arbor Day, April 30, 2016. The Arbor Day celebration will be held at Pulis Field Recreation Complex buffer area to the Playground on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at 9 am. Discussion regarding planting in this open location which experiences extreme temperatures and windy conditions. Maple trees are considered a suitable choice since they are hearty and quick growing. It is hoped these trees will provide shade for the playground within a short amount of time.
 - c. Scott Fisher reported that the Girls Scouts will be installing a Butterfly Garden in the back left corner of Russell Farms Community Park this spring.

Motion to adjourn by Bill Butler, second by Dan Kindergan. All present voted in favor.

Meeting adjourned 7:11 pm.

Elaine Booth, Secretary
Shade Tree Commission