

**TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF
SHADE TREE COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, January 6, 2015 6:37 pm

1. Shade Tree Commission Secretary called the Shade Tree Commission Public Business Meeting to order at 6:34 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, Scott Fisher, Glenn Sietsma, Bill Butler
Staff present: Elaine Booth, Shade Tree Commission Secretary
Township Committee Liaison Douglas J. Christie, Township Committee Liaison
Absent: Dan Kindergan
4. Re-Organization of Shade Tree Commission.
 - a. Glenn Sietsma made a motion to nominate Mark Borst, Chair of the Shade Tree Commission. Seconded by Scott Fisher. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.
 - b. Mark Borst introduced Township Committeeman Douglas J. Christie as the Shade Tree Commission's Township Committee liaison for 2015. Mr. Christie was welcomed by all present.
5. Approval of the meeting minutes from December 2, 2014. Scott Fisher made motion to approve December meeting minutes as written, seconded by Glenn Sietsma. All present voted in favor; motion approved.
6. New Business
 - a. Arbor Day Celebration – April 25, 2015.
Chair Borst stated a location should be decided upon for Arbor Day. A wide range of areas were discussed for the Arbor Day Celebration. A consensus appeared to exist to complete the reforestation of the Zabriskie Pond Park with additional willow trees to be planted on the Franklin Avenue side of the Park. Scott Fisher stated that the DPW would perform a clean-out of the briars and bushes. This particular area is very similar to wetlands and is a great location to plant willow trees. This planting would finish the multi-year project of re-planting willow trees which now completely ring the perimeter of Zabriskie Pond.
 - b. Discussion among Commissioners concerning Russell Farms Community Park tree farm. Members were in agreement that trees from the tree farm could be used for next year's Arbor Day Celebration.

Motion to adjourn by Glenn Sietsma, second by Bill Butler. All present voted in favor. Meeting adjourned 7:10 pm.

Elaine Booth, Secretary
Shade Tree Commission