

SHADE TREE COMMITTEE MINUTES
September 8, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Committee members present were Steve Zaikowski, Pat Mills, Charlie Parke and Rob Sikorski.

OLD BUSINESS

2015 Arbor Day Tree Planting

Steve and Charlie are watering due to near-drought conditions and replacing tree stakes. Trees planted this spring are growing well overall.

Kenneth Zaroni – Candour Court - Brittany Hills Homeowners Association

Steve will be following up with Mr. Zaroni regarding replacement species recommendations and planting guidelines.

2015-2019 Community Forestry Management Plan

We received a status report from the Forestry Service dated August 7th, 2015 for review. Some updates for continuing education credits earned by Steve over the summer may not have been processed as of the date of the report. On September 17th, 2015, Steve received an email from Carrie Sargeant, Urban & Community Forestry Coordinator advising that our revisions to the Plan were acceptable and requesting that we re-submit the Plan in final form for formal approval.

NEW BUSINESS

2016 Arbor Day Planting

Steve is obtaining quotes for 8' bare root replacement tree stock and planning for the 2016 replacement planting is in progress.

Emmanuel Bible Church – 3 Pleasant Grove Road, Block 31, Lot 26

We received a letter dated August 27th, 2015 from Mr. Reeves Geraghty on behalf of the Emmanuel Bible Church regarding the Phase II parking area plantings advising that *Sp. Thuga Plicata* (Green Giant Arborvitae) are specified for the planting. Steve will write a memo in response advising that this substitution is acceptable.

Riverdale Shade Tree Commission

We received a notice from Linda Roetman advising of a half-day training class they are sponsoring on September 22nd, 2015.

NEXT MEETING

The October meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 13th, 2015.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Robert Sikorski for Jan Godek, Recording Secretary