



Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 4, 2022
Borough Hall Court Room

Participants of the Shade Tree Commission:

Name	Title	Name	Title
Dria Lobosco	Chairperson	Leslie Hines	Alt. # 1
Albert Ianacone	Vice Chairperson	John Manke	Alt. #2
Rick Hockenberry	Committee Member	Joseph Wojtecki	Council Liaison
Diane Korzinski	Committee Member	Kevin Alberta	Licensed Tree Expert
Jodi DeMarco	Committee Member	Maureen Cook	Secretary / DPW

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Public Items: Limited to 5 minutes per family

Items Discussed:

- **Up-Coming Events:**
 - **Arbor Day** – Friday, April 29th at the Hawthorne Library at 12 pm
 - This year marks the 150th anniversary of the tree planter’s holiday!
 - Mayor, Council members and public are invited
 - Dria, Kevin and Leslie met with the PCTI Broadcasting Club Mon., April 4th regarding the PSA (Public Service Announcement)
 - The PCTI Broadcasting Club will be at the Arbor Day event on April 29th to record the PSA live.
 - **Cel-Earth-Bratton** will be held at the pool on April 30th from 10 am – 2 pm
 - Sapling distribution will be part of that event this year only. There will also be give-a-ways at this event.
- **Al & Grants:** Seedlings were picked up:
 - Al gave us an update stating that 5 Hawthorne Elementary Schools (Jefferson, Washington, Roosevelt, St. Anthony and Hawthorne Academy) will be getting qty. 50 White Pine seedlings which came from the NJ Department of Environmental Protection and the NJ Forest Service Grant through the Hawthorne Shade Tree Commission. These seedlings will be delivered to the schools the last week in April.



- Also, the Historic Salem Oak seedling was picked up as well to be planted in a specific location within Hawthorne (location to still be decided).
 - Interesting Fact: This Salem Oak estimated to be over 500 yrs. old was one of NJ's most recognized trees. This tree was from the original forest since 1675. On Thurs., June 6, 2019, this tree monument fell. The seedling was propagated & grown at the NJ Forest Service Nursery and from acorns that were collected, this seedling of the Oak tree was grown and provided.
 - This Salem Oak is the 2nd largest white oak nationally and the 14th largest tree in NJ.
 - Once we have a location for this Salem Oak to be planted, a dedicated plaque will be tagged at this tree for all to see and admire!
- Spring Tree Planting updates – there will be a Spring tree planting, under discussion is how many trees and the locations TBD.

If you have questions or concerns that you'd like for the Shade Tree Commission to address at this meeting, please call the office at 973-427-5555 Ext. 218 or email the Hawthorne Shade Tree at hawthorneshadetree@hawthornenj.org.