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Minutes ~ SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

1. Meeting Call to Order -
2. Meeting Announcement: This meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Law, duly announced and posted, in the Municipal Building.
3. Roll Call – Via Zoom Peter Kikot, Joe Laterra, Ed Clark, Nancy Krause, and Tony Smid
4. Open to the Public/Close to the Public
5. Review of prior meeting minutes ~ Approved August Minutes as amended, Ed Clark motioned and Joe Laterra seconded.
6. Membership Review ~ Two Member Positions available. Due to the retirement of Lew Levy from council, we have a new council liaison, Grant Van Eck. Resigned from council
7. Adopt-A-Tree Program ~ Nancy Krause will work with Peter Kikot to get going.
8. Update on Ordinance ~ Revisions to be approved by Borough Attorney. We have not heard any updates.
9. New business discussion
 - a. Confirm that the new job description for part-time Shade Tree Officer was presented to the Council. – not confirmed
 - b. Tree removals requisition has been elevated to Anthony for approval it then goes to the Borough Administrator, then Finance Dept. then a PO would be generated. Bid was awarded to Mahwah Tree for \$20,600.00 but they have declined. Because so much time has passed since the bid originally when out, we will reevaluate all the trees as some have come down already. We will relook at all 35 trees and including the 9 new trees on the borough list to be removed. The list will be divided up among us and have all trees inspected by September 21. And then prepare list to go out a to bid asap. The trees will be prioritized to ensure that the most dangerous trees come down first. The bid will be given more time to collect more competitive bids. Motion was made by Ed Clark and seconded by Tony Smid. The bids will be opened at the November 2 STC meeting.
 - c. The 12k in the budget that was not clearly marked, had been removed.



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d. Other new business -

- i. Ed Clark can put together an RFQ for Dog park trees project, material only.
- ii. Nancy Krause asked for members to sign up to get CEU credits by attending webinars.
We need 10 credits/year. NJ Shade Tree Federation meeting will be virtual this year, Oct 19-23.

10. Meeting adjournment

- a. Ed Clark motioned to adjourn at 8 pm, Nancy Krause seconded.