Meeting Minutes ~ July 11, 2022

1. Meeting Called to Order 7:56 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. Meeting Announcement: This meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, Duly Announced, submitted to the newspaper, and advertised more than 48 hours in advance of the meeting and notice posted in the Municipal Building and on the Borough Website.
3. Live meeting at the senior center was attended by Ed Clark, Kim Bouma, Nancy Krause (via phone), and Dean LaForgia. Joe LaTerra and Peter Kikot are excused. Tony Smid and Ray Carroll were absent. Councilman Steven Saliani was present. Kim Bouma was officially reappointed recently.
4. Review of prior meeting minutes (June) ~ tabled.
5. Adopt a tree program update - There are 14 trees to be planted. Five are going to the park at field 5, and 9 will go to the adopt a tree program. Downes Tree Service will set up the properties for utility mark out. We have the right to reject the tree if we don’t like it and the tree is guaranteed for one year.
   a. We agreed that the adopt a tree bulletin should be taken off electronic sign until next winter.
6. Councilman Saliani reported that JP consulting is about ¼ done with Tree survey and it is going as planned.
7. Forester Report:
   a. Removal RFQ: the forester has a good list going and hopefully will get an RFQ out in August or September. There are a lot of small trees that the DPW could handle if they wanted to, they have the equipment.
   b. In June 36 properties visited, 23 permits were issued, 94 trees removed, 194 trees to be replanted. The number of trees to be replanted is not entirely accurate because there should be no replacements for dead trees or any condition of Ashes
8. Green Placard – Mr. Clark is emailing to the DPW and the rest of the STC members for approval to start using. Placard should be included when they hand out permit.
9. New business discussion
a. Mr. Bouma reported that there are dead ash trees on Borough property on Spruce Street, the site of water well #10 - borough property

b. Elevating trees – Discussion on an RFQ broken down by snow plowing zone. The worst streets seem to be in the college section.

10. Meeting adjournment – 8:15pm