

Mechanicsburg Borough  
Shade Tree Commission  
Minutes from March 10, 2016 Meeting

**Call to Order**

Witters called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

**Reading and Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes from February 2016 were read. AB moved to approve the minutes. NL seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**Attendance**

The following were present:

**Board Members:** Matt Witters (MW), Andrea Bowes (AB), Nancy Luley (NL).

**Staff:** Roger Ciecierski.

**Council:** Scott Pellman.

**Absent Board Members:** Rae Dennis (RD).

**Guests:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Recreation Board Report:** No report.

**Environmental Advisory Council (EAC):** No report.

**Budget Report:** No change.

**Old Business:**

**1. Tree Removal Request Follow Up**

- a. 508 Alison Avenue – Utilities (1) – Letter sent 02-2016, removed fall 2015. Remove and replace pending utilities clearance.
- b. 511 Alison Avenue – Utilities (1) – Letter sent 02-2016, removed fall 2015. Remove and replace.
- c. 307 Portland Street – Utilities (2) – Letter sent 02-2016, trees removed in 2014.
- d. 114 East Portland Street – Weiss – MW will call.
- e. 1119 Cocklin Street – Teeter – MW. Tree needs to come down due to lightning and storm damage.

**New Business:**

**1. Tree Removal Applications**

- a. 210 West Marble Street - Utilities (1) – AB. Tree needs to come down. Replacement pending utility assessment. There is an overhead line. A replacement tree from the

**"A" list is suggested. A motion as such was made by NL with a second by MW. The motion passed unanimously.**

**2. 2016 Opportunities**

- a. **Natural Playground at Koser Park – The DCNR grant application (by EAC & borough) is due in April. There are some trees that will have to come down in the area of the future park.**
- b. **Mechanicsburg Earth Day – 04-23-16**
  - i. **Bob Carey – 717-443-2315**
  - ii. **Community Leader Sponsorship – \$500.00**
  - iii. **EAC will be selling pedal power smoothies.**
- c. **National Arbor Day – 04-29-16. Perhaps STC can produce pamphlets with street tree rules and regulations to hand out on National Arbor Day 2017.**
- d. **School District Liaison – Bob Meck. A contact for playground.**

**3. New Follow Up Letters**

- a. **21 E. Marble Street – took down free tree vitalize tree. STC will send letter to owner that they must replace the tree.**
- b. **302 Chestnut Street – approved. No replacement required.**
- c. **In the area of 315 South Market. Big Norway maple came down during storm. AB will send letter suggestion replacement. Will give information on how to possibly get a free tree for the replacement.**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

1. **On April 4 Council will present Darwin Hollinger with a resolution for his many years of service.**
2. **Next Meeting – April 14, 2016**

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 PM was made by NL and seconded by AB. The motion passed with all in favor.

**Nancy Luley  
Member**