

**Borough of Bergenfield
Shade Tree Committee
May 3, 2021 Meeting Agenda**

Meeting Called to Order:

Attending Members:

Dan Muller, Chairman
Mike Cassidy
Jules Orkin
Joe Schade
Steven Perrone
Phil Neville, Consultant/DPW Superintendent
Councilman Marc Pascual, Council Liaison
Dixie Rainey, Secretary

Approval of March 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Approval of April 5, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Old Business:

Work Returned by Dan:

165 Harcourt (Q2) - further trim request, states seasonal pests/worms, sap, causing fungus to grow on roof.

84 Levitt (Q4) - removal request, contractor cut a root while performing sewer line work on new construction house, cut root may cause health of tree to decline, contractor may be responsible for cost of removal.

76 Westview (Q4) - removal request, states branches drop on fence, lifting sidewalk.

Work Returned by Mike:

167 E. Main (Q1) - removal request, states rotten.

142 Graphic (Q2) - removal request, states cracking sidewalk, branches in power lines.

53 Porter (Q3) - removal request, states branches in wires, branches fall, roots damaging sidewalk.

75 Hallberg (Q4) - requesting removal of 1 tree, states sewer backups, requesting trim of all other trees.

Ross (DPW tree climber) & Phil inspected the trees on 4/15/21 - 1 removal by driveway, 1 removal on Hallberg from rot, 4 trims.

Work Returned by Phil/DPW:

122 E. Church (Q1) - DPW removed Oak on 4/23/21.

87 E. Clinton (Q1) - Borough tree lifting sidewalk. Remove Pin Oak, repair 2 sidewalk slabs.

Marchbank Property/Museum (Q2) - DPW/crane rental company finished removing Pines 4/30/21.

222 W. Main (Q2) - 2 trim requests. 1 in front of house on corner - yes, Borough tree - prune; 1 in middle of fence side yard on Stoughton Pl - private tree, no action necessary.

32 Hillside (Q3) - removal request, homeowner's insurance company mailed homeowner a letter, tree at end of street. DPW crown raised & cut back Pine on 4/6/21, removal request denied.

21 Briarcliffe/150 Sussex (Q3) - would like to plant a tree in Borough right-of-way. Denied, no room.

58 Spring (Q4) - DPW noticed tree was dead, tree removed & stumps ground on 4/15/21.

117 Spring (Q4) - sidewalk lifting. Remove Maple, DPW repair sidewalk.

52 Fairview (Q4) - DPW trimmed branches growing over street & lawn on 4/19/21.

26 Somers (Q4) - tree on corner of driveway, loses branches, requesting assessment for trim or removal.
Remove Red Maple dropping limbs, cavities.

164 S. Prospect (Q4) - states "Davies Tree Service" removed a tree in front yard & said the Borough was paying for it & that the Borough would remove the stump & let resident pick a new replacement tree. Was not DPW, might have been PSE&G, private tree, no action necessary.

New Business:

140 New Jersey (Q1) - removal request.

31 Wilbur (Q3) - requesting root pruning during sidewalk repair, states one tree looks dead.

55 Maiden Q3) - requesting tree to be inspected for safety, states branch has fallen in past & now roots look crumbly.

Corner of Lake St/Woodbine St (Q4) - requesting removal of tree near stop sign.

15 Regent (Q4) - states 2 Borough trees are dead, requesting removal.

125 Baker (Q4) - requests another tree to be inspected for health, states it looks sick.

Assigned to Phil:

122 E. Church (Q1) - resident states DPW left stalk, asks if DPW will repair sidewalk.

36 Willow (Q1) - requesting prune of Borough trees on adjacent PAL Field property & inspection of trees for health.

40 Armour (Q2) - would like to remove 2 trees, wants to confirm if they are private or Borough, emailed land survey to DPW on 4/28/21.

49 Moos (Q2) - removal request, trees behind property by brook, states afraid they might fall into the water & onto property.

Other Business:

Welcome newly appointed member - Steven Perrone. Nominated by Mayor Arvin Amatorio & approved by Council at 4/20/21 Mayor & Council Regular Meeting.

In person meetings resume 5/3/21.

Tree seedling give-a-way event on 4/25/21 - was a success.

Mayor & Council made a proclamation for Arbor Day 2021.

Shade Tree Committee page of Borough website - posting of meeting minutes & agendas.

96th NJ Shade Tree Federation Annual Conference: Thursday-Friday October 21-22, 2021.

Next Meeting: June 7, 2021 at 7:30pm in 2nd Floor Conference Room at Borough Hall

Meeting Adjourned: