

**BOROUGH OF WEST READING**  
**SHADE TREE COMMISSION**  
**June 12, 2018**

The Shade Tree Commission met on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at Borough Hall. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. with Ron Schweitzer, Chad Moyer, Lynne Burns, Public Works Director Dean Murray, and Borough Manager Cathy Hoffman in attendance.

**Visitors:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of the Minutes:**

**Moved** by Mr. Moyer and seconded by Ms. Burns to approve the minutes of May 8, 2018. **Motion carried.**

**Old Business:**

**Oak Terrace Trees** – Heritage Oak trees have been ordered for the five residents of Oak Terrace who have agreed to have them planted in their front yards (due to the lack of a planting strip on this street). Mr. Murray noted that there are other property owners that are happy about the new trees being planted but happy they are not being planted on their property.

**4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Trees** – Trees have been ordered for 4<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and Ann Street. Mr. Murray said that he has a list of trees to be planted which will be shared with the Commission. He noted that Eaton Farms is his source for well-priced trees and they have recommended the species to be planted in these areas. He noted that the trees should be planted by the end of June.

**Buttonwood Street** – Stoltzfus Tree Service have still not removed the trees on the north side of Buttonwood however they are worth the wait because Stoltzfus grinds the stumps and remediates the site with soil and seed. Other tree service providers used in the past may have been less expensive however they have not done the grinding and remediating.

**Trees to be Trimmed** – Trees on Playground Drive and the 300 block of Franklin Street will be trimmed or removed, as necessary.

**New Business:**

**Commission Composition** – Council will be voting (on June 19<sup>th</sup>) on the ordinance amendment that will allow the Commission to increase the membership to five residents. Once it is passed, the Borough will advertise for new members.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cathy Hoffman