

Highland Park Shade Tree Advisory Committee
Borough Hall, 221 S Fifth, Highland Park, NJ 08904



Minutes of STAC Meeting, October 2006

Attendees: Carol Avelsgaard, Roseann Cala, Karen Swaine

Minutes of Sept 2006 were approved.

Minutes of October 11, 2006 Meeting:

Old Business:

- Shade Tree Conference will be held on October 27-28. Two attendees to be determined. Possibly Carol Avelsgaard and Karen Swaine or Ruth Bowers and Arnold Henderson.

New Business:

- CSIP Planting Grant. Deadline submission date is November 3, we will most likely not participate.
- CSEP Pruning Grant. This grant has a priority with STAC as pruning is now a greater necessity than planting. Deadline is Dec. 3, and is a match in kind only.
- Valley Place Ravine Landscape Project. Rutgers professor Seiko has made an assessment of the site and, together with 40 Rutgers students; will take on the project beginning with the third semester. Arnold Henderson and Mayor Frank will discuss the desired results with the class.
- Budget-\$174.15. Some of this money will be used for our spring supply of new plants and bulbs. Karen Swaine will investigate specimens that are deer proof. As far as a folding table for the street fair, we should have one locked in the NPR pump house. Carol Avelsgaard will check on this before we make a purchase.
- Carol Avelsgaard will contact Barbara Lewis to determine her interest in becoming a STAC member.
- A resident of Abbott St. has complained to STAC about a street tree that fell onto her property and destroyed two smaller trees. She is seeking some sort of recompense. This is a legal issue and not something we can adjudicate.
- Other Business. The question arose of whether or not we have a CDBG bank account. The attending members were not aware of such an account. It would be good information to know. [Later: we do have funds for CDBG planting in 2006/7.]
- Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 p.m..