

**Township of Jackson**  
**Shade Tree Commission**  
**Meeting of**  
**May 1, 2023**  
**MINUTES**

Shade Tree Commission meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Mordechai Gottlieb at 7:00 p.m. followed by a Flag Salute.

Announced compliance with Open Public Meeting Act.

Roll Call

	<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>EXCUSED:</b>
Chairman			Steve Chisholm
Vice Chair	Mordechai Gottlieb Joseph Aufiero Mike McCabe William Schaap Dave Ossowski Linda Yostpile Shari Spero, CME Associates Tree Specialist / Forester Kathleen Sevcenko, Secretary		

**Minutes:**

Motion to approve the minutes of the **April 3, 2023** meeting made by D. Ossowski, second by W. Schaap  
Correction – Arbor Day – 4 Hackberry Trees are scheduled to be planted

Commission Vote: J. Aufiero, L. Yostpile, W. Schaap, M. McCabe, D. Ossowski, M. Gottlieb – Ayes

**Tree Specialist / Forester's Report:**

**Tree Removal Permits**  
**Reviews/Site visits**

**135 Commodore, LLC Block 4301 Lot 15 135 East Commodore Road** Review revised plans.

**Kehilla D Brookwood IV Block 6002 Lots 2 & 3 1231 Aldrich Road** Review plans before the Zoning Board. Change of use from SFD to temple with residence

**Yeshiva Tiferes Talmud Block 7501 Lot 43 537 Brewers Bridge Road** Site walk with contractor to review clearing limits/tree protection fencing again as the property was not properly marked out or fenced prior month.

**220 Faraday, LLC Block 22112 Lot 5 220 Faraday Ave** Site visit to walk clearing limits to determine if additional trees can remain. Potential to keep oak tree along Edison Ave and Japanese maple on Faraday, depending on location of driveway. Approval clearing as per plan.

**Howell Realty Associates, LLC Block 7403 Lots 1 & 2 705 Brewers Bridge Road** Approval to remove trees as per plans.

**Pinewood Estates, Inc. Block 102 & 103 Lots 2, 3, 4 and 1 Woodbury Road Site** walk with contractor to review clearing limits/tree protection fencing again as the property was not properly marked out or fenced prior month. Approval to remove trees as per plans.

Motion to approve Tree Specialist Report made by M. McCabe, second by M. Gottlieb  
Vote: J. Aufiero, M. Gottlieb, D. Ossowski, W. Schaap, L. Yostpile, M. McCabe – Ayes

**Residential Permit Inspections –**

36 permits were issued for April 2023. Report was reviewed.

Motion to approve Residential Permit Inspections made by M. McCabe, second by M. Gottlieb

Vote: W. Schaap, J. Aufiero, M. Gottlieb, D. Ossowski, L. Yostpile, M. McCabe – Ayes

**CSIP Grant** – No news. (Ash Tree Survey is 50+% complete) Date has been extended to 12/31/24 as new guidelines are being developed.

**Old Business**

**Arbor Day 2023**

**Plantings** – Joe Aufiero stated that Arbor Day plantings were done on April 28, 2023 at 10 am at the Justice Complex on Robert B. Ventura Drive. Four Hackberry trees were planted. Stump grinding and hand mulching was cancelled due to bids received being much higher in cost than expected.

Joe will check to determine if additional tree plantings are needed at Johnson Park for fall planting.

**Plant Health Care**

Ash Trees continue to be destroyed by the Emerald Ash Borer. Evergreens, White Pine, Arborvitae, etc. are dying, due to the drought and heat and then too much moisture causing the roots to sprout and be killed.

Spotted Lantern Fly will be starting up again. Eastern Tent Caterpillars are also a threat, along with the Southern Pine Beetle and Boxwood Blight.

**CFMP - 5 Year Checklist** - Keeping up with the checklist items. Still no response from the Forest Fire personnel as of this date. The State has advised that the 5 Year Plan has been extended for one year.

**Escrow Account** - Tabled

**New Business** – No New Business

**Public** - None

**Bills** – Motion to pay all bills made by J. Aufiero, second by M. Gottlieb

Vote: W. Schaap, J. Aufiero, M. McCabe, L. Yostpile, D. Ossowski, M. Gottlieb – Ayes

**Correspondence** – None

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:17 pm by L. Yostpile, second by J. Aufiero

Vote: W. Schaap, J. Aufiero, M. McCabe, L. Yostpile, D. Ossowski, M. Gottlieb – Ayes

Minutes prepared and submitted by: Kathleen Sevckenko, Secretary

**\*\* NEXT MEETING – June 5, 2023\*\***

**7:00 PM**

**In the CAA TRAILER**