



ABINGTON TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMISSION
MEETING NOTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2015

Participants: Joe Ascenzi, Tim Gilmour, John Kennedy, Rita Stevens

PLANTING PROJECTS AND ASSOCIATED OUTREACH

BARE ROOT TREES

Confirmed spring 2015 bare root tree sale, planting projects and volunteers

Upper Dublin Township will pick up trees from Navy Yard on April 23 or 24.

Location	Trees	Volunteers	Date
Ardsley Community Center	2 Ulmus	Tree Tenders	April 26
Crestmont Park	5 Tilia	Tree Tenders	April 26
St Peter's Church	1 Ulmus 2 Metasquoia	St Peters' congregation	April 25
EAC Sites	1 Amelanchier 1 Acer	EAC	April 25
Grove Park	4 Ostrya 1 Cladastris 1 Corylus 1 Gymnocladus	STC TD Bank volunteers	April 25
Individual Homeowners	6 trees	Homeowners after training at Grove Park	April 25

MTRP PROJECT (Roslyn Valley Business District)

Rita and Tara introduced the MTRP project to the Roslyn Valley Business Association on Feb 5. We will follow with visits with each property owner to coordinate tree selection and planting.

ARBOR DAY (Grove Park, 10 AM April 25)

Arbor Day Proclamation and Tree City USA award- Rita will ask DCNR forester and TD Bank to participate.

Kickoff Green Streets project- focus on planting Grove at Grove + planting and distributing bare root trees listed above. Details captured separately.

Watercolor workshop will host 2nd annual show.

CRESTMONT PARK AND ARDSLEY COMMUNITY CENTER (April 26)

Focus on planting 5 bare root trees at Crestmont Park and 2 bare root trees at Ardsley Community Center.

Rita will recruit volunteers through scouts and Tree Tenders groups.

TREE TENDERS TRAINING (May 5, 12, 19, Abington Friends School, 6 to 9 PM)

Please promote participation. Register here: <https://www.pennhort.net/treetenders>

LANDSCAPE PLAN REVIEWS

Discussed and approved revised plan for Switchville Crossing.

Discussed 2 new landscape proposals- 938 Old York Road and 720 Rhoads Avenue- submitted comments to township staff.

ZONING ORDINANCE

Deferred discussion until March meeting

GRANTS AND PARTNERSHIPS

BBNC Tree Inventory- Glen Stevens assisting with GIS and inventory process.

MTRP- confirmed 1st payment is to arrive in February.

TD Bank Green Streets- Award granted. Doug Wendell will initiate board action to seek approval by March 12.

Planting Trees Campaign- Judy Rosenberg volunteered to research and partner with STC for effective outreach to homeowners who are not inclined replace trees. Rita and Charlie will assist.

Deferred discussion of Tree City USA goals until March meeting

Deferred discussion of C2P2 planning proposal until March meeting. Rita will continue to draft a proposal.

NEXT MEETING DELAYED ONE WEEK: March 18, 2015, 7:30 to 9:00 PM Grove House