Abington Township Shade Tree Commision Meeting Notes October 7, 2015

This meeting was held one week earlier than regularly scheduled to accommodate volunteer schedules and to keep the TDGreenStreets project on track.

Our November meeting will be held one week early, on Wednesday November 4, in observance of Veterans' Day on November 11.

Participants Joe Ascenzi, Eileen Gilmour, Tim Gllmour, John Kennedy, Bill Killian, Mike Jones, Charlie Soboleski, Glen Stevens, Rita Stevens, Kathy Weir	Handouts TDGreenStreets event summary

Upcoming Events

October 24 tree planting at Ardsley Wildlife Sanctuary 9-noon

October 27 TDGS volunteer orientation, 7:00 to 8:30 pm, Grove House

November 4 STC meeting 7:30 to 9:00 Grove House

November 7 TTFWA/ Jenkintown Rotary tree planting at Jackson Park

November 12 and 14 TDGreenStreets planting

9-4 with lunch break noon to 1. Grove Park and surrounds

November 17 C2P2 grant workshop

1. Celebrating Volunteers

a. Tonight marked the STC's annual potluck celebration of great teamwork and deepened friendships derived from shared service and stewardship of the township's trees. Thanks to all for all you do!

2. TDGreenStreets

- . We discussed logistics and volunteer recruitment for November planting events. The team is on track for completing the TD GreenStreets project by planting 100 trees in the vicinity of Grove Park in November. Details are captured separately.
- a. Thanks to new volunteer Suzanne Franks for assisting with volunteer recruitment and logistics. We will coordinate volunteer times and assignments through a shared document on the STC drive.
- b. Thanks to BIII Killion for his offer to provide a carving demonstration and raffle as lunchtime entertainment.

3. Ardsley Wildlife Sanctuary

- . The STC and EAC presented practical stormwater management solutions that preserve woodlands to the Public Works Committee on September 28. This presentation may be viewed on the township youtube channel.
- a. We will continue to support the Edgehill Tyson team to achieve the maximum value from best management practices for stormwater management.

4. Let's Talk Trees Series

. Thanks to the Abington Free Library for sponsoring our second annual Let's Talk Trees Series, which was well attended.

a. Thanks to John Kennedy and Rita Stevens for excellent workshops featuring landscaping with native plants and caring for our local forests.

5. Ethel Jordan Park

. We approved the EAC proposal that three memorial trees be donated to the Ethel Jordan Park tree planting project on November 7, funded by the joint green fund.