

## Shade Tree Commission Minutes September 16, 2024

Chairman Jim Booth called the Shade Tree Commission meeting of September 16, 2024, to order at 7:00 pm in the downstairs meeting room of the Totowa Public Library.

### **ROLL CALL:**

#### **PRESENT:**

Commissioner: Booth, N. Makoujy, D. Makoujy,  
Murphy

Commission Secretary: Linda Paese

Board Liaison: Anthony Picarelli

#### **ABSENT:**

Commissioner: Luciano, Fusco

### **MINUTES:**

Commissioner N. Makoujy made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 20, 2024, meeting, seconded by Commissioner D. Makoujy.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Booth informed the commissioners that the DEP has new mandatory requirements for shade tree removal that each town will need to follow. He is still waiting for a directive of what the requirements are.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Booth is contacting Mr. Ted Szyawinski of Sterling Consultants to arrange a CEU class for the commission to meet their requirement for the year.

The Shade Tree Commissions Community Forest Management Plan expires on December 31, 2024. Because CFMP's are retroactive to the first of the calendar year, the shade tree commission has until December 31, 2025, to submit our updated plan and get it approved by the state.

The Shade Tree Commission's grant application written by Millenium Grant Writing has been filed and we are waiting on the approval.

### **ADJOURN:**

Commissioner N. Makoujy made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner D. Makoujy. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, October 21, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Totowa Public Library.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda Paese  
Commission Secretary