

Borough of Phoenixville

Tree Advisory Committee Meeting

April 4, 2024

Attendance: Commissioners - Mary Foote, Susan Di Cerchio, Jane Dugdale, Randy Morin; Borough Representatives - Brian Watson, Alexis Strunk; Borough Council Liaison - James Carminito

Action items in **BOLD**

Public Comment:

- None

March Minutes Review:

- Mary recommends approval of the Mar minutes.
- TAC votes to approve.
- **Alexis will post minutes to the website.**

Committee Update:

- Jennifer Chandler submitted an application, but she didn't attend the Council meeting to get interviewed / appointed.
 - **Randy will reach out to Jennifer to see if she is still interested.**

Arborist Update:

- None

Budget:

- Proceeding as normal.
- Bids for tree removals are due this week. ProMark has submitted a bid and several others have expressed interest.

Fall 2023 Contract Planting:

- All but 8 trees have now been planted.

Future Plantings:

- James suggested developing a multi-year plan to plant out the sites once Brandywine has completed the updated suggested planting locations.
 - **We can use Brandywine's upcoming tree planting location list along with the urban tree canopy map, and tree equity scores for the Borough's districts to prioritize sites.**
- TAC walked Reeves Park and talked about planting about 15-17 more large trees in Reeves Park.
 - **Randy will send the map of potential locations to Mary so we can run it by the Parks Dept.**

Volunteer Pruning Event:

- TAC has done 3 volunteer pruning events over the winter and has a great group of volunteers.

Community Outreach:

- Green Fest and Arbor Day will take place on April 20th at Reservoir Park
 - **Randy will pick up the table, tent, and rolled banner (larger one) before 3 pm on Fr, April 19th.**
 - **Randy and Susan will meet at 11:15 at Reservoir Park for setup**
 - **Mary will join at 2:30, and Randy and Mary will tear down at 4 pm**
 - **New volunteer, Justin Gordon, might also be available to help.**
- Susan and Jane are working on the draft sidewalk grant program options.

New Business:

- None

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Next meeting - May 6, 2024 at 7 pm