

SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
BOROUGH OF MATAWAN
September 12, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ray Stuetz
Matthew Schoffel
Larry Magee
Sue Patla
Sally Stilwell
Councilman Brian Livesy

GUEST: Gary Lovallo
Keith Urban

The September 12, 2024 meeting started at 5:30 P.M. Ray Stuetz approved the minutes of August 15, 2024 and Sally Patla second.

Davey Resource Group started tree inventory. They have documented 700 trees and were entered into the Itree program. Each year they will add 700 trees and will continue to be entered in the Itree program.

The Shade Tree Commission received a Thank You note from a Matawan residence. Thanking everyone involved in planting a tree on their property. They said the tree is beautiful and looking forward to watching it grow.

Gary Lovallo, Arborist, was a guest. He discussed ordinances that have been updated and gave advice in different areas. The Shade Tree Commission was advised to add a letter to the tree permit application for homeowners to sign that they will replace a tree or pay the fee within a year if not replaced. Gary Lovallo recommended using a D-Tape to determine the diameter of a tree. The next Council meeting The Shade Tree Commission Ordinances will be approved and will take effect.

Reviewed and discussed Matawan tree removals around town that needed to be taken down or trimmed due to safety.

Sally Stilwell motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 P.M. and Ray Stuetz second. The next meeting will be October 10, 2024 in the conference room at MMCC, 201 Broad St at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted



Mary McMurray
Secretary