

Lancaster City Shade Tree Commission
 MINUTES - February 16, 2016
 City Hall, Commission Room - 120 N. Duke St.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.
 The minutes of the January 19, 2016 meeting were approved.

Old Business:

ITEM	ADDRESS	REQUEST	ACTION
05-16	945 E. Madison St.	Remove maple – damage to sewer vent, roots in sewer line, sewer backup	Approved. Arborist will advise on location (to east of existing tree), whether it should be along curb with radius or in yard (easement), and species

New Business:

ITEM	ADDRESS	REQUEST	ACTION
06-16	555 S. Water St. – fire truck sales/repair	Review landscape plans – one tree on site, one elsewhere	Tabled. More information needed on trees to be removed and location of driveway.
07-16	115 E. King St.	Remove linden – building renovation	Approved. Replacement tree to be located to the east. Structural soil to be used. Arborist will advise on species.
08-16	135 N. Mary St.	Remove honeylocust – root damage/loss, new gas line	Approved. Removal shall occur only when the sidewalk is replaced. Arborist will advise on location, larger well, and species.
09-16	438 W. Orange St.	Remove Bradford pear – PPL line clearance request	Approved. Arborist will advise on replacement species and sidewalk repair.

Discussion Items:

1. Discussion of proposals from city staff and commission members for 2016 Hartman Fund expenditures. The updating of the inventory program and data will probably be done by city staff. It was suggested that the funds could be used toward the purchase of trees, as part of grant programs.
2. Update on PPL line clearance request and letter to property owners. No new information.
3. Update on Lancaster Tree Volunteer Group (Lancaster County Conservancy/Urban Greening Committee). The plans for the planting in the southwest area are moving forward, with letters sent to prospective owners.
4. Update on tree plantings to replace removed ash trees. About 18 trees were planted by the city crew in Fall 2015.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Next meeting March 15, 2016, 7:30 PM