

Lancaster City Shade Tree Commission
MINUTES – December 19, 2017
City Hall, Commission Room - 120 N. Duke St.

Present: Jim Bower, Kirsten Krimmel, Carl Pike, Mimi Shapiro, Robert Shenk, Douglas Smith, Ashley Spotts

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.

The minutes of the November 21st, 2017 meeting were approved

Old Business - none

New Business:

ITEM	ADDRESS	REQUEST	ACTION
26-17	138 N. Mary St.	Remove 2 honey locusts. Branches over house, clogged gutters	Denied. Arborist will advise on pruning and issue permit.

Discussion Items:

1. Arborist's Report

- The katsura tree and plaque in memory of Lin Hanks have been installed.
- Letters will be sent to property owners who have not replaced in the one year time period their trees that were removed.

2. Sustainability Planner's Report

- Implementation of the NFWF Grant with the School District of Lancaster is underway. Lancaster Tree Tenders have identified potential planting sites at several schools. Teacher training for curriculum and student engagement will occur in February. The goal is to plant 200 street trees, 70 yard trees, and 300 riparian buffer trees.
- Funds from the 2018 Treevitalize grant will be used to plant 75 trees in commercial corridors and 25 at schools.
- To implement the DCNR Riparian Buffer Grant, outreach is underway to landowners with potential planting sites along the Conestoga River; this is a partnership between the city, West Lampeter Twp. and Lancaster Twp.
- At Hillrise apartments, the planting of about 60 trees is scheduled for April 27, as part of the property's green infrastructure plan. This project involves collaboration with Lancaster Tree Tenders and Lancaster Conservancy Urban Greening program.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Next meeting, Tuesday, January 16, 7:30 PM