

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

FEBRUARY 11, 2025



SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING



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February 11, 2025

7:30 PM

There are two ways for the public to participate in the meeting: online or by phone. Residents can access the meeting online, by a computer, iPad, iPhone or Android at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81492811428>. This link will enable residents to hear the meeting and see presentations. There will be no video capabilities. Residents, who are unable to join online, can listen to the meeting by calling 1-929-436-2866 and entering the meeting ID number 814-9281-1428 when prompted.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Motion to approve minutes from Shade Tree Commission Meeting of January 13, 2025

PRESENTATION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

On-going/New Items

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes-
2. Collaboration with TTF, Tookany/Tacony Frankford Watershed Partnership, Welcome Ryan Neuman, Upstream Conservation Leader, joining for conversation around partnering. Include opportunities around the MTAP – 15 minutes
3. Ask the Arborist event – Thursday, April 4
4. Tree Ordinance revision effort- update on recent activity to prepare the ordinance to before the Board of Commissioners
5. Planning for spring maintenance of recently planted public trees- mulching, repairing staking, watering devices, pruning
6. Upcoming tree give away update-Andrew
7. Updates- if available:
 - a. ASD – Highland Elementary replacement of memorial tree-Anna

- b. Spring PHS Tree Tenders tree planting
 - c. Redeemer Valley Farm-John/Travis
 - d. Abington Free Library-Andrew/Travis
 - e. Septa rail line slope stabilization project- update on activity
 - f. Social media communications update / newsletter needs-
 - g. Boy Scout Preserve
8. Other Business-
- a. Shade tree Commissioner appointment
 - b. Tree City USA - Trish
 - c. Recording volunteer hours – reminder for all to make this habit throughout the year

PUBLIC COMMENT

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **March STC Meeting, Tuesday, March 11, 2025, 7:30 pm via zoom**
- **Shade Tree Commissions Collaboration and Info Meeting, Abington Library, Tuesday, March 25, 6-8 pm**
- **Annual Arbor Day recognition, Saturday, April 26, 2025**
- **Spring 2025 Tree Giveaway, Saturday, April 26, 2025**
- **GGCA- Hallowell Park Clean-up Day, Sunday, April 27**

ADJOURNMENT

BOARD POLICY ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

For Information Purposes Only

The Township shall conduct business in accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Laws governing the conduct of public meetings and only establish guidelines that shall govern public participation at meetings consistent with the law.

Each commenter shall:

- Direct their comments to the Presiding Officer;
- Speak from the podium or into a microphone designated by the presiding officer;
- State their name for the record;
- Either orally or in writing provide their address for the record;
- Have a maximum of three minutes to make their comments. Each commenter when speaking to a specific agenda item, is to keep their comments relative to that identified agenda item;
- Speak one time per agenda item;
- When commenting on non-agenda items, the commenter is to keep their comments related to matters of the Township of Abington, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.
- State a question to the Presiding Officer after all commenters have spoken, and;
- Be seated after speaking or upon the request of the presiding officer;
- Not engage in debate, dialogue or discussion;
- Not disrupt the public meeting, and;
- Exercise restraint and sound judgement in avoiding the use of profane language, and the maligning of others.