Long Hill Township Shade Tree Commission Minutes from April 25, 2022

Attendees: Ann Cade, Phyllis Fast, Susan Jeans, Paul Tamburri, and Mary DeLello (recorder). **Absent:** Theresa Dill, Al Gallo, Mary Ellen Grunther, Peter O'Neill, Guy Piserchia, and Gordon Redgate.

Meeting called to order at 7:15 by Susan.

Susan moved to accept the minutes from the March 28, 2022 meeting, Paul seconded, all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Spring Challenge Grant 15 trees ordered. Paul is preparing spreadsheet which will go to Al Gallo. All trees and locations have been marked. Al will pick up tomorrow: one Snow Goose Cherry, two Norway Spruce, one Pin Oak, two American Dogwood, two Redbuds, three Kousa Dogwood, and four Red Maples. There is a resident on Birchwood who has purchased six Challenge Grant trees in the past and had one of those trees, a Dogwood, fail to thrive. STC would like Rose Valley to replace the failed Dogwood with another Dogwood.
- 2. Community Tree Recovery Program Bare Root Program we received 300 saplings that are 2 3 feet tall. Included in the 300 samplings are six species: Red Maple, Mockernut Hickory, Kousa Dogwood, White Pine, Bald Cypress, and Pin Oak. Five of these species are tolerate of swamp conditions. The Girl Scouts are meeting with Susan at the DPW on Wednesday to label and bag the saplings. There will be pictures of each species and pamphlets on how to plant trees. The program will be this Saturday 4/30 from 9am Noon at the DPW. Ann will help with the sign-in. Trees are already at the DPW.
- 3. Valley Road Project on hold
- 4. Tree Ordinance Recommendations -. Continuing to work on support
- 5. Landmark Trees Susan and John Linson will take pictures in early May.
- 6. Arbor Day Tree has been changed to a Red Bud. Al will pick up and plant tomorrow. The Township Committee will be doing a proclamation for Arbor Day on April 27th. Susan will attend and take pictures of the tree.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Pine Valley – has not gotten permit for work being done in town.

Susan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15, Ann seconded, all in favor.

Next meeting: Monday, May 23, 2022 at 7:00 PM, location to be determined.

Submitted by Mary DeLello, Recorder