

Lambertville Shade Tree Commission
Minutes of Open Meeting
January 12, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 7:30. Present were Emily Goldman, Deborah Galen, Irene Rudolph, and Art Legere. Also present was Ron Farr, Certified Forester who has signed a contract with the City to update the Forestry Management Plan.

Old Business:

Minutes of the December meeting were approved as written.

A. Re: the Pin Oak at 82 N. Union - We will wait to receive a letter from Rich Wheeler at Tamke

about the condition of the tree before we send a letter to the homeowner advising that there was

no need to remove the tree.

New Business:

A. Offices for 2017 were approved: Art Legere - Vice Chair; and Irene Rudolph - Recording Secretary.

Regularly scheduled meetings will be held the 2nd Thurs. of the month.

B. We briefly reviewed the draft of the Environmental Commission which had requested our comments on the Tree ordinance. The Shade Tree Commission may be able to incorporate some

of the language into the Shade Tree Ordinance. We were especially interested in the Tree

Preservation Trust Fund (pg. 6 of the draft) "Use of the funds shall be determined by the XXX-

insert "The Lambertville Shade Tree Commission". Also the suggested payment in the draft is

\$60 per caliper inch. We felt this should be increased. Our recommendation is \$200 per caliper inch

which includes the purchase of the tree and the cost of the planting. We will continue to review the

draft .

Meeting was adjourned at 8:33.

Respectfully submitted,
Irene Rudolph