

Lancaster City Shade Tree Commission  
 MINUTES – April 17, 2018  
 City Hall, Commission Room - 120 N. Duke St.

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

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

The minutes of the February 20, 2018 meeting were approved. The March 20 meeting was cancelled because of snow.

Old Business - none

New Business:

ITEM	ADDRESS	REQUEST	ACTION
4-18	423 W. Chestnut St., Lancaster Ave. side (Wolf Museum)	Remove 1 Scholar Tree and 1 Sugar Maple. Sidewalk replacement, curb repair, retaining wall replacement – notification from city.	Approved. Commission approved adding to the agenda the removal of the sugar maple. For the 2 trees that will remain, Sustainability Planner’s approval needed for Tree Protection Zones, and Arborist to be present when sidewalk is removed and replaced in adjacent areas. Three large canopy trees to be planted; species, locations, and size of tree wells (at least 25 sq. ft.) to be approved by Arborist. Tree removal permits will not be issued until sidewalk and curb permits have been issued.
5-18	12 N. Prince St. and surrounding properties (Fulton Theater)	Land Development. Plant 3 Shingle Oaks in right of way and 3 Okame Cherries (1 on right of way line, 2 on private property, with easement to city).	Approved. In advisory role, recommended approval of altered size of 2 tree wells, location of 3 trees on N. Water St., and fee in lieu of planting 7 <sup>th</sup> tree.

Discussion Items:

1. Arborist’s Report

- The Arborist will treat about 36 ash trees (street trees and trees in parks other than Long’s Park).
- This spring about 125 street trees will be planted.

2. Sustainability Planner’s Report

- Arbor Day will involve a major tree planting effort in the Southeast area, with many volunteers. In addition to the interior landscape trees at Hillrise apartments (about 60-70 trees), trees (both in and outside the right of way) will be planted at Church St. Towers, King Elementary School, and SACA. Mr. Bower and Mr. Smith will recommend tree species and specific locations, in discussions with owners. Fifth-grade students from King School will be involved in the planting. City and state officials will be present. Substantial support for the project has been received from the

Chesapeake Bay Foundation and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation grant. Lancaster Tree Tenders and the Lancaster County Conservancy are also involved in the planning and implementation. The ceremony will be held at King Elementary School at 9 AM on Friday, April 27, with the tree plantings to follow.

- Discussions are in progress with the owners of 129 N. Pine St., who have appealed the Commission's decision denying the request to remove the little-leaf linden.
- The city's application for a 2019 DCNR Tree Vitalize grant involves funding for preparing a Tree Management Plan and updating the Tree Ordinance and Tree Manual. The Commission endorsed the use of \$1200 from the Hartman Fund as part of the required match.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Next meeting, Tuesday, May 15, 2018, 7:30 PM