



STC Meeting Notes

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Participants

Joe Ascenzi, Tim Gilmour, Kathy Weir, John Kennedy, Kathy Hemsley, Charlie Sobeleski

Upcoming Events/Dates

May 5, 12, 19- PHS Tree Tenders training at Foulkeways in Gwynedd

May 14 - Ardsley Train station planting

June 3 - Abington HS Students clean-up project at Grove Park

June 11- Saturday morning working meeting at Grove Park 9am (no meeting Wednesday June 8)

July 13 - Next regular monthly meeting at Grove Park

October 15 - EAC to lead a clean-up event at Ardsley Wildlife Sanctuary

Discussion Highlights

FINANCIAL

1. Grants - No Updates on grants
2. Tim reported that he has received from Ardsley Family Day the \$800 donated for the Ardsley Train Station project.
3. STC received a donated hummingbird feeder from The Wild Bird Center in Dresher. To be used in the pollinator garden at Grove Park.

New Items

1. A suggestion to submit the Copper Beech tree at Coper Beech Elementary for the PHS Tree of the Year award. This is a a newly launched PHS program. STC agreed that we will support this effort. A suggestion to reach out to Jim O'Neil for the photographs he made of this tree in past projects. John will follow up by return email.
2. A connection with Hillside cemetery discussed - see programs #2 item below. Tim had a conversation with Ron the manager of the cemetery to get assistance and 'buy-in' for the train station project. The need for assessing for potential hazard trees and replacement in the cemetery grounds especially along Susquehanna road.

ADVISORY

1. Edgehill Tyson Reconstruction -
 - a. No Update
2. Federal support for Sandy Run Watershed restoration- request from Manager Lefevre-
 - a. No Update
3. Tim reported that he participated in a Geo-morphology field test on Tuesday the 10th
4. Emerald Ash Borer- request from Commissioner Rothman-
 - a. EAB recommendations document dated April 12, 2016 completed and submitted. (see attached)

PROGRAMS

1. Ardsley Community Center - The Arbor Day planting and celebration went very well.
2. Ardsley Train Station- Tim updated all on this project for May 14th. He has met with the Hillside Cemetery manager asking for assistance. Will need mulch - Tim will conform this supply.
3. Ardsley Wildlife Sanctuary - no further update
4. Outreach and PR - No new report
5. No update on the Eagle scout project at this time.
6. There was a discussion on fund raising and suggestion for

OPERATIONS

1. Watering schedule was discussed - Ed Smeal reported that he is ready to help manage the watering of trees at Crestmont Park and the two trees needing staking have been completed. Also discussed the watering needs and plans for the ACC.
2. Joe reported on the research he did for the supplies needed for a temporary water supply line at Grove Park. Looks like about \$220 for all of the materials. A plan was discussed about how to proceed with installing. Tim will investigate getting the water supply to the exterior hose bib set to work.
3. Tree City USA- annual report has been completed and sent.

Meetings notes: John Kennedy