

Malvern Shade Tree Commission
Monthly Meeting, 2/25/19
Present: Joe Bones, Bobbi Tower

1. Dan Higgins requested a Memorial Tree for Lois Thorpe
 - Joe and Bobbi will check Burke Park on 2/26/19 for a spot for the tree. If none exists, we'll recommend to Chris the Memorial Grounds
 - We located a spot for a small ornamental tree (like a Stewartia) in Burke Park
 - Chris and Joe later discussed a spot at Borough Hall where a tree had come down. We felt that this might be the best location to honor Ms. Thorpe.

2. Upcoming Bare Root Tree Planting
 - We have the maximum order for 15 trees at \$50/tree for a total of \$750
 - Borough will pick up trees and deliver to front yards on 4/26/19
 - Bobbi will forward details to Chris Bashore when received from PHS
 - Bobbi will email planting instructions to recipients prior to planting
 - Joe and Bobbi will be available on 4/27/19 for planting consults

3. New trees for Warren Avenue along the cemetery between First Avenue and Roberts Lane
 - Joe Bones will talk with Tony Dufor to finalize tree selection and planting time.

4. Tree survey for King Street
 - The STC recommends a professional assessment. Over the last year, we have been asked to check whether the trees are pushing up the pavement in multiple locations. While we have walked the west end of King Street, we feel a professional assessment is in order. Street trees usually have a 25 year life span, and the Zelkovias are reaching this age. There are numerous vacant pits as well. Any replacement of failing or removed trees is not simple because it affects pavement, tree pits, and underlying utilities
 - A tree inventory might cost a few thousand dollars. The STC would set the parameters such as: address, species, size, health of existing trees, observations regarding the sidewalk, outgrowing tree pits, etc.
 - Chris and Dan will attend the 3/18 STC meeting to talk about the King Street inventory.
 - Tony Dufor has ideas about King Street. Joe will ask him to email Linda about them and whether or not he wants to attend the next STC meeting.
 - NOTE: the Borough right of way is generally 50' side to side.

5. Joe Bones will look into standards for tree trimming as an aid to the Borough.

Malvern STC:

Linda Burton
Joe Bones
Bobbi Tower

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