



# Franklin Township Shade Tree Commission

Somerset County, New Jersey

## Meeting agenda for July 27, 2023



1. **Call to order in accordance with the NJ Open Public Meeting Act**  
(aka the sunshine law) NJSA 10:4-6(1973)
2. **Shade Tree Commission Members Roll Call**
3. **Secretary's Report**
  - a. Approve June meeting minutes as emailed to Commission members.
4. **Treasurer's Report**
  - a. Review Township Financial Report
5. **Commission administration:**
  - a. Volunteer hours tracking – June Meeting 2.5 Hours
  - b. CEU's – i-Tree Admin training (4)
6. **First opening of meeting to the public**
7. **Old business / Updates:**
  - a. **Committees and commissions:**
    - i. Franklin Twp council updates – Mr. Vassanella
    - ii. Environmental commission (AS)
    - iii. Open space advisory (ML)
    - iv. Sustainable jersey (ML / SM)
    - v. DPW Updates (CF)
  - b. **Planning**
    - i. Franklin Twp U&CFM plan – Status of Requests / State Report
    - ii. Landscape guidelines for development applications: Recommended evergreen trees list.
    - iii. Hazardous Tree Maps / Inventory – DPW updates
  - c. **Tree Maintenance and Projects:**
    - i. Hamilton street Trees – Alternate tree suggestions
    - ii. Tree Planting and Maintenance on School Properties (ML)
    - iii. FT Tree maintenance (NJ Tree Foundation)
  - d. **Public information / education / events / community outreach projects**
    - i. Franklin Times Article (Fall)
    - ii. Big and heritage trees in Franklin Township
    - iii. Annual tree sale 2024 – purchase update
    - iv. Franklin Day 2023
8. **New business**
  - a. Meet prospective new members.
  - b. Ridings Parkway Project Update.
  - c. Memorial Forest Tree Recommendations.
9. **Second opening of the meeting to the public**
10. **Dendrology & General Discussion Items**
  - a. Soil compaction and impact on tree survival
11. **Adjourn**
  - a. Next meeting Thursday, August 24, 2023



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