

AGENDA
PARK AND SHADE TREE COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2025 – 1:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment- All public comments shall be related to the subject matter jurisdiction of the Borough Council, Committee, or Board conducting the public meeting, and shall be limited to matters of public concern, official action, or deliberations that are, or may come, before the Borough Council, Committee, or Board.
3. Winter/Spring Plans
 - a. Discuss what projects are scheduled for the remainder of Winter into the start of Spring, and what projects have been completed this Winter
 - b. Discuss any tree diseases and insect concerns
4. Parkland Bird Nest Box Report
 - a. Discuss data obtained from bird nest box management within the Parklands
5. Implementation of the Parklands Forest Stewardship Study
 - a. Discuss suggestions of how Penn State Berks and their student body could assist with some possible projects in the parklands
 - b. Update on meeting with Berks Nature, Terry Reid and staff that was held January 8th
6. Eagle Scout projects
 - a. Discuss any updates on the potential Eagle Scout gazebo revitalization project
 - b. Discuss additional Eagle Scout project opportunities
7. New Parking Area for the Meadow Trail
 - a. A temporary parking/staging area has been created on the north side of Old Mill Road due to Spring Township's sewer project
 - b. Review and discuss keeping all or a portion of the temporary parking/staging area in the future, to provide additional parking for the Meadow Trail and parklands, and related costs to stone and compact the area
 - A motion is needed to table, approve, or deny recommending Council approve keeping all or a portion of the temporary parking area on the north side of Old Mill Road, to provide additional parking for the Meadow Trail and parklands

8. Sophia's Make-A-Wish Shade Structure Plaque
 - a. Discuss the request to install a plaque at the Sofia's Make-A-Wish structure at the Happy Hollow playground
 - A motion is needed to table, approve, or deny recommending Council approve the installation of a plaque at the Sofia's Make-A-Wish structure at the Happy Hollow playground
9. Amendment to the Property Maintenance Code Regrading Weeds and Grass Regulations
 - a. Review the existing language in Ord. 1270, Section 302.4 used by Code Enforcement
 - b. Review draft language to amend the regulations that allows for native plants and cultivated areas to remain that would currently be considered weeds
 - A motion is needed to approve, table or deny, recommending the Infrastructure Committee review and approve the draft amendment language to Section 302.4 of the Property Maintenance Code, and make recommendation to Council to adopt the same
10. Park and Shade Tree Commission Vacancies
 - a. Discuss any updates to filling the Commission vacancies
11. Next Meeting – March 26, 2025 – 1:00 PM
 - a. Discuss moving the date and/or time of the next meeting due to Thanksgiving