

**RIVERDALE SHADE TREE COMMISSION
MINUTES
JULY 24, 2023**

The Regular meeting of the Riverdale Shade Tree Commission is opening on July 24 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Michael Carelli read the Sunshine Law.

ROLL CALL:

Present:	Linda Roetman Darinda Norris Annemarie Angiello Laura Jennings (Alt. 1) Doreen Clark (Alt. 2) Vice-Chairman Todd Urban Chairman Michael Carelli Council Liaison Matt Oswald
Absent:	Denise Johnson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **May 22, 2023**

Thereupon Annemarie Angiello set forth the motion seconded by Darinda Norris to approve the minutes from the May 22, 2023 meeting as written and submitted.

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Angiello, Norris, Roetman, Urban, Carelli**
 Nays: None
 (5 Ayes – 0 Nays – Motion Carried)

Chairman Michael Carelli introduced the newest member Doreen Clark to the Shade Tree Commission.

SPOTTED LANTERFLY GRANT PROGRAM:

The spotted lanternflies have been a problem at Freedom Park, kids have not been able to play at the park and the trees are covered. The State of New Jersey announced a program through the Department of Agriculture, Municipalities can apply for a grant for chemical treatment programs. A lengthy discussion continued on what can be done to help the spotted lanternfly infestation.

Thereupon Linda Roetman set forth the motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Todd Urban to apply for the Department of Agriculture Grant.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Roetman, Urban, Norris, Angiello, Jennings, Clark, Carelli
Nays: None
(7 Ayes – 0 Nays – Motion Carried)

SHADE TREE ORDINANCE:

There are no new updates on the Shade Tree Ordinance, it is in line with the State requirements.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The new trees look great at the community center they are flourishing.

The Grande asked for the town to apply for the Spotted Lanternflies on their behalf. The town needs to treat the public areas with that grant money.

ADJOURNMENT:

Thereupon Linda Roetman set forth the motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Todd Urban to adjourn the meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR/Motion Carried
Meeting adjourned at: 7:27 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Linda Roetman, Board Secretary