



# RADNOR TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMISSION MEETING SUMMARY

June 27, 2012

The comments noted below are the Shade Tree Commission's views only. Clearing and Grading Permits are issued by the Engineering Department, which reviews plans AFTER approval by the Shade Tree Commission.

In attendance were members: Howard Holden, James Ward and Douglas McCone

#### 1. 748 Cornerstone Lane

GP 12-85

Brian Madsen - Momenee & Assoc.

There is no tree removal proposed

All trees within 10' of the property lines to be shown and identified on revised plans

The stormwater management system to be constructed prior to the foundation because of close proximity to the 12" Maple

Tree protection fence to be placed around the 12" Maple

The species of the Maple to be identified

The plan was conditionally approved

### 2. 20 Kinterra Road

GP 12-88

Karen McManuels - AEC

Have met with Director of Public Works to discuss this project

2 Maple trees to be removed - 3 trees to be planted

Identify species of Maples

All trees on site to be identified

All trees within 10' of the property lines to be shown and identified on revised plan

The plan was conditionally approved

## 3. Eastern University West Campus

GP 12-82

Karen McManuels - AEC

Carl Altomare - Eastern University

Penn Dot application has been submitted

Radnor Street Road access would become emergency use only

New entrance will be on Eagle Road

This is part of the agreement with the neighbors

40 trees to be removed

Applicant will be planting more than the 53 required trees

More than 80 trees have already been planted

Trees will be property maintained and if any should die will be replaced

Overlay of site showing trees and new road to be shown on revised plans

Tree protection fence to be installed around trees in area of level spreader

Existing trees will be heavily impacted

Need to see true impact on trees

Grade lines and drip lines to be shown

All species and dbh of trees to be indicated on revised plans

The plan was tabled—applicant to return with revised plans

## 4. Discussion Proposed Ordinance No. 2012-05

Amending Chapter 263 Trees, of the Code of the Township of Radnor

Street trees should be pruned by licensed arborists

Biggest issue against the ordinance is the enforcement. Chanticleer supports planting and enforcement and has awarded the Township funds for this. The Township has not responded to enforcement aspect with the funds provided. A third party arborist should be hired with the use of these funds to review both the proposed and current ordinance. The Township needs to enforce the regulations. Without enforcement, neither ordinance matters. Third party should be out-sourced as other departments are presently doing. Funds from Chanticleer to be utilized for this purpose. It is possible that if a third party arborist isn't hired for these purposes and tree reports are left with the homeowner's arborist, the funds from Chanticleer could cease. The Township doesn't have a properly trained person to investigate tree removal. Enforcing needs to be implemented. The Shade Tree Commission is waiting for direction from the Board of Commissioners. The Planning Commission should review plans after Shade Tree has issued their comments, and these comments should be taken into consideration by the Planning Commission.

The meeting adjourned as there was no more business before the Commission.

Respectfully submitted, *Suzan Jones*Suzan Jones