

Middletown Shade Tree Committee

47 Academy Avenue, Middletown, NY 10940

Thursday January 31, 2019



Agenda

Meeting Notes from postponed December meeting January 3, 2019 were approved and posted on City website

Old Business

- Review 2019 Calendar for Events which Shade Tree will have on the calendar. (we will then post information City web link and on Facebook)
- Arbor Day Celebration.
The pavilion in the back part of Davidge Park is reserved for the Arbor Day celebration September 21st
 - a) Pruning- Alan Lewis, Kate Honders?
 - b) Tree Planting Variety, size, should we have a hole prepped
 - c) Audubon Society- Who can contact them and follow-through>
 - d) Should we reach out to Keith Sumner with Water & Soil Conservation
 - e) Cornell Cooperative- Who will be coordinator with them?
- TreeKeeper where do we go from here? Student volunteers? Any tech savvy friends in the area?

New Business

- List of materials to use for PR for Shade Tree. Bookmarks, brochures(?) Hats- T-shirts? potential raffle materials for when we do workshops
- Work Sessions. Suggestions for outreach. How do you think we should schedule work sessions?
- Volunteers- How to identify potential volunteers and keep them in the loop. Excel spreadsheet with interested parties, contact information and what skills they have to offer?
- ReLeaf Status – Mary Ellen O’Neill and Barbara Bonham attended January 9th meeting in Newburgh and met Gloria Van Duyne, the New DEC Program Manager. Judged the student posters. We discussed how to get 5th graders involved with next year’s poster contest. Might be a good opportunity for Shade Tree Outreach in the local schools. (there were no entries from the Middletown School district)
We are still waiting for a commitment from Andrew Revkin to be the Conference Keynote speaker.

NEXT MEETING:

February 28th 5:00 Mulberry House lower level, 62-70 West Main Street Middletown, New York 10940