Minutes-June 21, 2012

Chairman Gregory Luciano called the Shade Tree Commission meeting of June 21, 2012 to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers on the second floor of the municipal building of the Borough of Totowa.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Commissioners: Luciano, Marmo, Schopperth

Commission Secretary: Linda Paese

**ABSENT:** Commissioners: Booth

Commission Liaison: Jim Niland

Borough Arborist: Sean Yennie

**MINUTES:**

Commissioner Marmo made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 19, 2012 meeting seconded by Commissioner Schopperth.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

An Arbor Day Celebration was held at the Academy of St. Francis of Assisi on April 28, 2012. Members of the Council along with Shade Tree Commissioners and residents were all in attendance. Father Patrick Ryan of St. James of the Marches R.C. Church offered a blessing.

Commissioner Luciano stated that Mr. Joe Wassel, Borough Clerk is working on Tree City USA status.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Luciano made the commission aware that Mr. Ted Syczawinski has provided a quote to acquire a new management plan which will go into effect January 2013.

Commissioner Luciano informed the commission that Mr. Evan DeLuvio, our new field representative has completed most of the tree inspections. He hopes for completion of all inspections to be done by July. Mr. DeLuvio is working on obtaining clarification for our new plantings. He believes we can continue our no net loss plan for the upcoming plantings after fall 2012.

Commissioner Marmo confirmed over one hundred trees were planted throughout the Borough for the spring 2012 planting.

Commissioner Marmo brought to the attention of the commission that a tree at the corner of Union Boulevard and Gordon Avenue was hit by a vehicle and had to be removed. He would like to see this tree replaced.

**ADJOURN:**

Commissioner Schopperth made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner Marmo. The meeting adjourned at7:30 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be held on July 19, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Paese

Commission Secretary