

TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY



SHADE TREE COMMISSION AGENDA

April 14, 2025

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, CALL VCC AT (973) 857-4830,
If the VCC is closed there will be no meeting.**

In Person at the Conference Room at 880 Bloomfield Avenue, Verona
5:00pm

IN PERSON or VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

Via the internet, please click the link below to join the meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/95500877750>

Via telephone, please dial 1(312)626-6799 or 1(646)558-8656

Use Zoom Meeting ID: 955-0087-7750, when prompted for a Participant ID, press #

A. CALL TO ORDER-SEE BOTTOM

B. ROLL CALL

Members: Prout, Ryan, Jacobs, Thomas, Conboy
Alternates: Tamasik, Needles
Council Representative: Councilperson Christine McGrath

C. PUBLIC COMMENT: *Any member of the public wishing to address the commission, please state your full name and township of residence. On Zoom please raise your virtual hand, on the phone press *9.*

D. CORRESPONDENCE

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

F. BUDGET UPDATES

G. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Civic Center Trees Status: budget, plans

2. Wedgewood Garden street project Status

a. Planning board agenda: was dropped from February, added March 27,

adjourned March 27, will be April 24

3. Everett park tree removals and planting

4. End of Year Reports

A. <https://nj.gov/dep/parksandforests/forest/docs/AAR.pdf>

Annual Accomplishment Report- NJUCF: Approved

B. Arbor Day Recognition- 2024 approved

5. Apr 24, 2025 Arbor Day Event VHS Doc Goeltz Field 10 am

A. The VHS Environmental Club is planting one tree donated for Hillcrest. STC is purchasing two oak trees. Hillcrest will assist with planting, the HBW Environmental Club will backfill one oak.

4. 2025 project plans:

a. maintenance priorities

1. New list of removals sent to DPW for Dujets
2. Dujets list

b. planting plans: develop subcommittee??

5. Derwent pruning: DPW

6. Arborist situation

7. Backyard tree education program

to be distributed as soon as approved

H. ADJOURNMENT

CALL TO ORDER

The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied with respect to this meeting of the Verona Shade Tree Commission being held both in-person in the Conference Room at the Verona Community Center and via Zoom video conferencing. Specifically, the time and date were included in the Annual meeting notice. This information, along with the public internet link and telephone call-in information was posted in the Municipal Buildings, and sent to the official newspapers of the Township, the Verona-Cedar Grove Times and the Star Ledger, at least 48 hours preceding the start time of this meeting. A public comment period will be held in the order it is listed on the meeting agenda and instructions on how to comment will be provided at the appropriate time. All meetings are recorded. Those wishing to speak during any public comment period need to only provide their name and municipality. Street addresses are not required. Please be advised that should a member of the public choose to state their street address, it will not be redacted