

North Plainfield Shade Tree Advisory Board Minutes – September 8, 2025

1. Compliance statement read.
2. Roll Call: Arthur, Bart, Frank and Thalia.
3. Next meeting: 20 October 2025 at 4:30 pm in the 2nd floor conference room.
4. Reading/passing minutes of 14 July 2025 aka The Great Flood meeting.
5. 21 July 2025 Thalia spoke with New Jersey Tree Foundation Save-A-Tree regarding classes with CEUs.
6. 21 July 2025 STAB received notification from New Jersey Urban and Community Forestry that our Community Forestry Management Plan expires on 31 December 2026 – new CFMF due by 31 December 2027.
7. 1 and 2 August 2025 started the annual butchering of North Plainfield's street trees by Asplundh for PSE&G – to date, Mountain Avenue, Watchung Avenue and Coddington Avenue are a hideous display of what not to do when trimming trees.
8. 8 August 2025 Thalia spoke with Dave Hollod and was reassured of replacement of the Dennis Passe Memorial tree at the Recreation house which was wiped out by the 14 July 2025 flood. Dave also promised to replace the watering hose.
9. 25 August 2025 PBS news discussed Lantern Fly damage (its possible natural wasp predator) now devastating Virginia.
10. Duke Farms is holding Fall Dendrology Friday, 7 November 2025 from 9 am to 1 pm – they're waiting for CEUs.
11. Atlantic City 100th New Jersey Shade Tree Annual Conference must be registered by 15 September for 20% discount.
12. Review of 4 September 2025 tree class by New Jersey Tree Foundation – unanimously positive.
13. Logistics for Saturday, 27 September 2025 class also by New Jersey Tree Foundation – departing Frank's at 9:15 am.
14. The Shade Tree distributing Volume 98 March/April Issue 3 & 4
Volume 98 July/August Issue 7 & 8 – pg. 60 – Mr. T.
15. Articles 15 July 2025 – NY Times – continue saga of England's beloved Sycamore.
20 July 2025 – Star Ledger – 600 yr old Oak in Harding Township, NJ.

Old News: Arthur's latest update on Mali Drive.

New News: Frank emailed 30 July 2025 the NJDEP grant information to Dave Hollod.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:10 p.m., 1)Arthur and 2)Frank.

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