## MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING July 8, 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JULY 8, 2020 WILL BE A VIRTUAL MEETING; THE MEETING WILL COMMENCE AT 7:00 PM. PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO LOG IN TO THE MEETING:

Scheduled Zoom meeting.

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The Virtual Regular Meeting of the Borough of Sea Girt Council was called to order by Mayor Farrell at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, July 8, 2020. Mayor Farrell asked for a moment of silence, after which he led those participating in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk read the Compliance Statement: This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, C.231, P.L.1975: adequate notice of this meeting has been given by posting a notice on the Borough's website and official bulletin board and by transmitting a copy of the Notice to the Borough's two official newspapers, *The Asbury Park Press* and *The Coast Star* as required by law.

## 5. ROLL CALL:

	Present	Absent
Mayor Farrell	Х	
Councilman Clemmensen	Х	
Councilman Mastrorilli	X	
Councilman Begley	Х	
Council President Fetzer	Х	
Councilwoman Giegerich	X e	
Councilwoman Anthony	Х	

## 6. MINUTES

• Resolution No. 123-2020: Approve Minutes, June 10, 2020 virtual Regular Meeting

**UPON MOTION** of Councilman Clemmensen, seconded by Councilman Mastrorilli, carried, that the Minutes of the Virtual Regular Meeting held June 10, 2020 be and the same are hereby approved.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	Х			<u> </u>
Councilman Mastrorilli	X	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Councilman Begley	X			<u> </u>
Council President Fetzer	X		<del> </del>	
Councilwoman Giegerich	X		<del> </del>	
Councilwoman Anthony	X			

• Resolution No. 124-2020: Approve Minutes, June 24, 2020 virtual Regular Meeting

**UPON MOTION** of Council President Fetzer, seconded by Councilwoman Anthony, carried, that the Minutes of the Virtual Regular Meeting held June 24, 2020 be and the same are hereby approved.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	Х			
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х		<del></del>	<del></del>
Councilman Begley	Х			
Council President Fetzer	X			
Councilwoman Giegerich	X		<del> </del>	
Councilwoman Anthony	X			

## 7. OPEN DISCUSSION

Councilwoman Anthony mentioned the condition of the trees on Crescent Parkway near St. Mark's Church noting that the goal was to keep the stakeholders informed as to what has occurred to date; that is, that the Shade Tree Commission has been actively monitoring the trees since 2016 with their consultant Certified Tree Expert Bill Brash who provided a written condition report to the Commission. Councilwoman Anthony read the Report into the record, a copy of which is attached hereto. The report indicates that eight of the nine trees are compromised and represent a danger to the public given their location. Councilwoman Anthony advised that suggestion is to remove the trees and plant new trees in the Fall when the conditions are conducive to their survival. The suggestion was made to remove the four trees designated at the highest danger level now and remove the remaining five trees in the Fall. Councilwoman Giegerich suggested that since it was July already, it seems more feasible to remove all the trees at one time. Mayor Farrell thanked Councilwoman Anthony and agrees with the need to remove the failing trees.

Councilwoman Giegerich also thanked Councilwoman Anthony for her time and effort and noted that neighbors asked to be involved in choosing the replacement trees. By consensus, the Council agreed to have the trees removed at one time as soon as the removal can be scheduled.

Councilwoman Anthony thanked Councilmembers and Mrs. Carafa for their support; she added that it is important and the responsibility of residents to be involved and participate in town activities; she recommended exploring our website for up-to-date information; Council will look into notifying residents of future of projects within town.

Mayor Farrell commented the new tax rate for the Borough is 0.664 per \$100 of assessed valuation, a reduction from the 2019 rate of 0.688 per \$100 of assessed valuation. He also noted that ratables are up to \$2,611,900; county tax is 43.8%; local tax 28% and school tax is 27.41%.

## 8. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Resolution No. 125-2020: Accept the Proposal of Cornerstone Architectural Group for The Project Known as Preparation of a Study to Determine The Feasibility of Expanding The Municipal Building

**UPON MOTION** of Council President Fetzer, seconded by Councilman Clemmensen, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Girt issued a Request for Proposals on February 28, 2020 and revised on March 29, 2020 with the responses finally due on June 15, 2020 for the Project known as Preparation of a Study to Determine the Feasibility of Expanding the Municipal Building in the Borough of Sea Girt to various architectural firms licensed in the State of New Jersey; and,

WHEREAS, four (4) proposals were submitted by the date and time required from the following professionals:

VENDOR	AMOUNT
Cornerstone Architectural Group, LLC, South Plainfield, NJ	\$26,000.00
Paul A. Damiano Architect, LLC, Spring Lake Heights, NJ	\$44,500.00
H2M Architects and Engineers, Wall Township, NJ	\$55,000.00
Studio 200 Architecture, LLC, Brielle, NJ	\$74,000.00

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt that the proposal of Cornerstone Architectural Group, South Plainfield, NJ in the amount of \$26,000.00 be and the same is hereby accepted.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute the contract for the said Study pursuant to the Bid Specifications.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be supplied to Cornerstone Architectural Group, LLC, South Plainfield, NJ and the Chief Financial Officer.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	X			
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х			
Councilman Begley	Х			
Council President Fetzer	X			
Councilwoman Giegerich	х			
Councilwoman Anthony	X		<del> </del>	

A. Resolution No. 126-2020: Re-Appointment of Tax Assessor, Scott Kineavy

**UPON MOTION** of Councilman Mastrorilli, seconded by Council President Fetzer, carried, that the said matter be tabled until next Council meeting scheduled for August 12, 2020 for review and recommendation from the Personnel Committee.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	X			<u> </u>
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х		<del> </del>	
Councilman Begley	X			
Council President Fetzer	X			
Councilwoman Giegerich	X		<del> </del>	
Councilwoman Anthony	X		<del>                                     </del>	

B. Resolution No. 127-2020: Professional Appointment, Water-Sewer Utility Engineer, H2M Associates, Inc.

**UPON MOTION** of Council President Fetzer, seconded by Councilman Clemmensen, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Girt has a need to acquire services for a Water-Sewer Utility Engineer, as a not-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk has determined and certified in writing that the value of the services to be provided will exceed \$17,500.00; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is effective retroactively to January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022, inclusive, and may be extended as many times as approved by this governing body; and,

WHEREAS, the firm H2M Associates, Inc., submitted a proposal indicating they will provide said services and have provided a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that members of the firm have not made any reportable contribution to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Sea Girt in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit each entity from making any reportable contribution throughout the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, with regards to Affirmative Action, incorporated into such agreement shall be the mandatory language of Section 5.3 of the regulations promulgated by the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey pursuant to P.L. 1975, and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose in the 2020 temporary budget and provision will be made in the 2020 and succeeding years' budgets of the Borough as finally adopted, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Girt hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute a contract with the professional as described herein.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Business Disclosure Entity Certificate and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a copy of this resolution shall be published in The Coast Star as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	Х		<del></del>	<del></del>
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х			
Councilman Begley	T X		<u> </u>	
Council President Fetzer	Х	<del></del>		
Councilwoman Giegerich	X		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Councilwoman Anthony	X	,		<del></del>

C. Resolution No. 128-2020: Sea Girt Boosters Request to Use Baltimore Park Basketball Courts – 3 days/week (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM beginning July 13 through August 19, 2020, inclusive

Councilwoman Anthony explained that all guidelines of the NJ Department of Health will be followed, and thanked the Booster Club for their efforts.

**UPON MOTION** of Councilman Mastrorilli, seconded by Councilman Begley, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, Sea Girt School Booster Club has requested permission to operate a basketball clinic at the Baltimore Park basketball courts from July 13 through August 19, inclusive, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday's from 4:00 -8:00 PM; and,

WHEREAS, said request is accompanied by a Certificate of Insurance naming the Borough of Sea Girt as an additional insured with aggregate limit of \$1,000,000 for personal injury and \$2,000,000 general aggregate, where \$3,000,000 aggregate is usually required and a Hold Harmless Agreement executed by an official of the organization.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt that after due consideration, the said request of the Sea Girt School Booster Club to operate a basketball clinic at the Baltimore Park basketball courts from July 13 through August 19, inclusive, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday's from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM, is hereby *approved subject to the following conditions:* 

- 1. Documentation to be supplied not later than July 10, 2020, verifying that the Clinic Instructor has undergone a background check with fingerprints within the last three calendar years valid through August 21, 2020 as a minimum.
- 2. Subject to compliance with the provisions of Executive Order No. 148 and with CDC and NJDOH guidelines regarding the conduct of group activities;
- 3. The submission of the executed Hold Harmless Agreement;
- 4. The submission of the Certificate of Insurance naming the Borough of Sea Girt as an additional insured for this activity.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be supplied to the Sea Girt School Booster Club for their information.

Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	Х		<del>                                     </del>	
Councilman Mastrorilli	X			<u>                                     </u>
Councilman Begley	X	<u> </u>		
Council President Fetzer	X		<del>                                     </del>	
Councilwoman Giegerich	X	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Councilwoman Anthony	X			

## D. Resolution No. 129-2020: Opt-out Payment: Jane Hunnewell

**UPON MOTION** of Council President Fetzer, seconded by Councilwoman Anthony, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, the current Borough of Sea Girt Personnel Policy offers major medical and hospitalization coverage at the Borough's cost for the employee and eligible dependent family members; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough policy also recognizes that employees who decline the major medical and hospitalization coverage offered by the Borough do so at a considerable savings to the Borough and are permitted by Borough policy to share in the realized savings through an opt-out payment not to exceed \$4,500.00 for each year that the coverage is declined; and

WHEREAS, Jane Hunnewell has declined the major medical and hospitalization coverage offered by the Borough.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt that Jane Hunnewell is to receive payment not to exceed \$4,500.00 for 2020 for choosing to decline major medical and hospitalization coverage offered by the Borough.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer for his information and action.

Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	X			
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х			
Councilman Begley	X	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Council President Fetzer	X			
Councilwoman Giegerich	X	i		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Councilwoman Anthony	X X	<del>                                     </del>		

## E. Resolution No. 130-2020: Appoint Summer Recreation staff and set salaries

**UPON MOTION** of Councilwoman Anthony, seconded by Councilwoman Giegerich, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has appointed various persons to fill seasonal staff positions for the Summer Recreation Program (July 6 through August 7, 2020, inclusive) as permitted by the Borough Code; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council wishes to memorialize these seasonal appointments.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt that the appointment of following persons to seasonal positions within the Borough at the hourly rate for hours worked or salary for the 2020 season be and the same is hereby memorialized:

Name	Title	Rate
Greg Hillman	Director	\$5,000.00
Stephanie Ahern		\$10.30
Kelly Buckle		\$15.00
MaryKate Bucknam		\$15.00 \$15.00
Angelina D'Altrui		\$10.30
Samantha Fondonella		·
Elisabeth Keenan		\$15.00
Cammie Klein		\$10.30
Hayden Kunz		\$15.00
Haley McArthur		\$10.30
Bernadette McGullam		\$10.30
Caitlyn McGullam		\$18.00
Lizzie Shanahan		\$10.30
		\$10.30
Cliff Smith		\$10.30
Maggie Sullivan		\$15.00
Quinn Sullivan		\$10.30
Michael Tarigo		\$10.30

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be supplied to the Chief Financial Officer for his information and action

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	Х		<del> </del>	
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х			
Councilman Begley	X	<u> </u>		
Council President Fetzer	X	·	<del> </del>	
Councilwoman Giegerich	X	<del></del>	<del></del>	
Councilwoman Anthony		<del></del>		

F. Resolution No. 131-2020: Appoint Volleyball Program Director and Instructors, Kerry Curran, \$24.00/hour; Scott Zimms, Carly Setaro, \$20.00/hour; Mark Leddy, volunteer instructor

**UPON MOTION** of Councilman Clemmensen, seconded by Councilwoman Anthony, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Girt is in need of the services an instructors for the Recreation Volleyball Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Sea Girt that the following appointments be approved at the hourly rates shown below for no more than 2.5 hours per session for 12 sessions for instruction for the volleyball programs:

Volleyball Instructor: Kerry Curran, at the rate of \$24.00 per hour;

Assistants Instructors: Scott Zimms, Carly Setaro at the rate of \$20.00 per hour

Volunteer Instructor: Mark Leddy

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be supplied to the Chief Financial Officer for his information and further action.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	Х			
Councilman Mastrorilli	X			
Councilman Begley	X			
Council President Fetzer	X		1	
Councilwoman Giegerich	X.			
Councilwoman Anthony	X			

a. **Resolution No. 132-2020**: Seasonal Staff Appointment

**UPON MOTION** of Councilman Clemmensen, seconded by Councilwoman Anthony, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, the Beach Manager has advised that there are changes to staff for the 2020 season as noted below; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt that the following changes to beach staff is and the same are hereby approved:

Add Staff Member: Katie Murray, Gateguard Social Distancing Monitor at \$10.31 per hour

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be supplied to the Beach Supervisor for his information and to the Chief Financial Officer for further action

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain	
Councilman Clemmensen	Х				
Councilman Mastrorilli	X		<u> </u>		
Councilman Begley	Х				
Council President Fetzer	Х				
Councilwoman Giegerich	Х	· ·			
Councilwoman Anthony	Х				

**G. Resolution No. 133-2020:** c. 159, Alcohol, Education, Rehabilitation and Enforcement Fund, \$1,000.25

**UPON MOTION** of Councilwoman Anthony, seconded by Council President Fetzer, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any

county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2020 in the sum of \$1,000.25 which is now available from the State of New Jersey, Administrative Office of the Courts, Municipal Court Alcohol Education, Rehabilitation and Enforcement Fund in the same amount.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the like sum of \$1,000.25 is hereby appropriated under the caption Municipal Court Alcohol Education, Rehabilitation and Enforcement Fund; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that above is the result of funds from the State of New Jersey, Administrative Office of the Courts, Municipal Court Alcohol Education, Rehabilitation and Enforcement Fund in the amount of \$1,000.25.

Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain	
Councilman Clemmensen	Х			<del> </del>	
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х				
Councilman Begley	X				
Council President Fetzer	X				
Councilwoman Giegerich	Х		<del> </del>		
Councilwoman Anthony	X				

J. Resolution No. 134-2020: c. 159, Clean Communities Grant, \$7,250.83

**UPON MOTION** of Councilman Clemmensen, seconded by Councilwoman Anthony, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2020 in the sum of \$7,250.83 which is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Clean Communities Grant in the same amount.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the like sum of \$7,250.83 is hereby appropriated under the caption Clean Communities Grant; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that above is the result of funds from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Clean Communities Program in the amount of \$7,250.83.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	Х			<del>                                     </del>
Councilman Mastrorilli	X			
Councilman Begley	X			<del> </del>
Council President Fetzer	Х	<del></del>		
Councilwoman Giegerich	X			
Councilwoman Anthony	X		<del> </del>	

K. Resolution No. 135-2020: Authorizing Grant Application to NJDOT for Fiscal Year 2021

**UPON MOTION OF** Council President Fetzer, seconded by Councilman Clemmensen, carried that the following resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation has notified all municipalities of the availability of funding under the Transportation Trust Fund Municipal Aid Program for the Fiscal Year 2021, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Girt is desirous of submitting an application under this program for the following purpose:

Bell Place Bicycle Path Improvements

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of Sea Girt, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, formally approves the grant application for the above stated project; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Engineer, Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2021—Bell Place Bicycle Path Improvements - 00634 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Sea Girt; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Sea Girt and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain	
Councilman Clemmensen	X	<u> </u>		<del></del>	
Councilman Mastrorilli	X				
Councilman Begley	X				
Council President Fetzer	X				
Councilwoman Giegerich	X	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<u>.</u>	
Councilwoman Anthony	X	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		

M. Resolution No. 136-2020: C.G. Jersey, Inc. t/a Fratello's, amended outdoor dining request to include public property immediately adjacent to the licensed premise

**UPON MOTION** of Council President Fetzer, seconded by Councilman Mastrorilli, carried, that the following Resolution be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Girt is making efforts to revitalize the local economy as we begin to recover from the devastating economic impact of the COVID-19 crisis; and,

WHEREAS, In accordance with Governor Murphy's transition into Stage 2 of the statewide recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, local restaurants and bars will be allowed to provide Outdoor Dining as of 6:00, Monday, June 15, 2020, subject to the rules established by State of New Jersey Executive Order No. 150 and Borough of Sea Girt Resolution No. 112-2020 adopted on June 10, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, C.G. Jersey, Inc. t/a Fratello's, submitted an Outdoor Dining Permit Application (the "Permit Application") with the Borough of Sea Girt and now wishes to amend the Application to expand their outdoor dining area to include seven (7) parking spaces adjacent to the licensed premise at 810 The Plaza with seating for no more than 28 persons.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the C.G. Jersey, Inc. t/a Fratello's amended application for outdoor dining is hereby *approved*, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Compliance with the rules and regulations governing outdoor dining as adopted by the State of New Jersey and the Borough of Sea Girt pursuant to Resolution No. 112-2020 dated June 10, 2020, a copy of which shall be supplied to C.G. Jersey, Inc. t/a Fratello's with this Resolution for their information and reference;
- 2. A maximum of seven (7) parking spaces adjacent to the licensed premise at 810 The Plaza (the designated area) are designated for use by C.G. Jersey, Inc. t/a Fratello's, said spaces to be surrounded by traffic safety devices, also known as "jersey barriers" that will be secured to each other, for the protection of the diners;
- 3. A maximum of 28 persons may be seated in the designated area for bona fide food service while seated at the six (6) tables to be utilized in this area;
- 4. Social distancing requirements of a minimum of six (6) feet between seated patrons in the designated area shall be maintained at all times.
- 5. Any shrubbery to be utilized within the designated area shall not exceed the height of the traffic control devices ("jersey barriers") to ensure a clear line of sight for vehicles traveling north on The Plaza.
- 6. Confirmation that the previously submitted Certificate of Insurance naming the Borough of Sea Girt as an additional insured shall also include the designated area.
  - 7. Will return to Council if extended beyond September 30, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be supplied to C.G. Jersey, Inc. t/a Fratello's and Chief Kevin Davenport of the Sea Girt Police Department for his information.

Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain	
Councilman Clemmensen	Х				
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х				
Councilman Begley	Х	1			
Council President Fetzer	Х				
Councilwoman Giegerich	Х				
Councilwoman Anthony	X				

## 9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

A. Coronavirus Update: Outdoor dining has been in effect for approximately two weeks and there have been no complaints to date.

## B. Beach:

- a. The Beach is open full-time through Labor Day:
- b. In compliance with the social distancing requirements of the Governor's Executive Orders, access to the beach may be limited depending if the maximum capacity has been reached; if this is necessary, access may be allowed again as the crowd diminishes;
- c. For their protection and the protection of our staff, beach patrons are urged to wear masks when interacting with our staff and with other patrons;
- C. Public Works Update: Committee met on Monday (July 6) to discuss the issues raised at the last meeting. Further information to follow.
- D. West Side Bike Path: Committee volunteers have been identified: Sue Blasi; James Dale; Charles Gormally; Amanda Jacobi; Lori Loughlin.
- E. Crescent Parkway Tree Removal: Despite the Council's detailed discussion of the report by our Forrester regarding the condition of the trees near St. Mark's and their decline over the last three years and the authorization to remove all the trees at this time, several residents objected to the tree removal when the project started on July 7. In order to address the concerns that the Borough and the Shade Tree Commission acted hastily in ordering the trees to be removed, I have sought recommendations for another qualified person to inspect the trees and advise the Borough. Since one of the remaining trees is designated as a danger to the public, I will work as quickly as possible to secure the second opinion.
- 10. QA REPORTS (of activity since previous Council Meeting):
  - -The Borough continues to purchase necessary personal protective equipment for our employees including masks, gloves, building and equipment sanitizers and other equipment from various vendors to ensure their safety during this on-going crisis.
- 11. COUNCIL REPORTS: Councilwoman Giegerich had no report.

Councilman Clemmensen reported as follows:

Public Works – please extend courtesy to our DPW employees as they attempt to reach
you're recycling and trash containers; it's becoming more difficult with narrow
driveways to proceed to the rear yard for pickup;

- We will review and update our Trash and Recycling Ordinance;
- If there is a resident with special needs, please contact DPW to receive special accommodations;
- Beach reminder to our residents that the beach utility is a pay as you go operation, beach replenishment is funded mostly by agreement between the Federal and State governments and that everyone has equal access to the beach:
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July weather was excellent; daily badge sales for the weekend were 4,563; daily badges to date are ahead of last year; seasonal badges sold to date 7,933, this is 3,059 more than 2019; senior badges are ahead by 531;
- Commended the Police Department for their excellent work at the Beach and throughout the Borough;
- Social distancing is being complied with, maximum capacity is 4,580 and we are always below maximum capacity.

## Councilman Mastrorilli reported as follows:

- Recreation Baltimore Park is now open and basketball courts have been resurfaced;
   summer recreation had a successful start as well as other recreation programs;
- Bike Path Committee met and began working on ideas to rehabilitate the area;
- Fire Company monthly dinners are still cancelled; commend the volunteers for all their efforts throughout the year.

## Councilman Begley reported as follows:

- Finance Committee will meet soon to review budget;
- Public Safety The Parker House will not open for 2020, we will continue to work with all stakeholders on ride share options for 2021;
- Thanked Chief Davenport and Captain Macko for assigning crossing guards to First Avenue, the safety enhancement was very well received;
- Thanked all our Public Safety Officials Police, Fire, OEM, Beach and Borough staff for their efforts.

## Councilwoman Anthony reported as follows:

- Buildings and Grounds—Cornerstone's feasibility study includes expanding current municipal building, electrical upgrades, assessment of the facilities, and a final report of findings; expected timeframe is 8 weeks;
- Department of Health Covid-19 cases are increasing among younger people; continue to wearing masks and wash hands.

## Council President Fetzer reported as follows:

- Public Works Committee Meeting will meet again to further discuss and refine trash and recycling methods; our employees are at risk using current method; liability issue picking up trash; please be mindful and considerate of the staff and their daily tasks;
- Water Carriage Way Project is nearing completion;
- H2M is preparing for filter media replacement and will be scheduled soon;
- Water Plant is running smoothly and we are within our allocation;
- Please conserve water.

Mayor Farrell reported as follows:

- Thanked Council President for supporting DPW staff:
- Thanked all first responders.

## 12. Resolution No. 137-2020: Payment of bills

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt that the bills be paid as appearing on the attached Bill List dated July 2, 2020 in the totals as follows:

CURRENT FUND	\$ 107,459.73
WATER/SEWER OPERATING FUND	\$ 308,598.61
BEACH OPERATING FUND	\$ 18,361.12
TRUST FUND	\$ 1,032.40
RECREATION TRUST FUND	\$ 10,946.79
GENERAL CAPITAL	\$ 4,800.54
WATER CAPITAL	\$ 160.04

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	Х		·	<del>                                     </del>
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Councilman Begley	X	<u> </u>		
Council President Fetzer	Х			
Councilwoman Giegerich	X	<del>                                     </del>		
Councilwoman Anthony	X		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	

## 13. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ANY SUBJECT (Comments limited to 7 minutes)

Mrs. Scheiderman, Baltimore Blvd., noted that she appreciates Councilman Clemmensen's comments about the beach but also noted that the ramps at certain locations are too narrow for social distancing; she noticed Policeman near the Pavilion are not wearing masks and stated that this is setting a poor example to the public. She also commented on the trees near St. Marks, she will respond to Council with recommendations to replace failing trees with safe trees. She also suggested that Fratello's be required to use jersey barriers around the street area designated for outdoor dining.

Birgit Graham, 610 Chicago Blvd., commented that sidewalks are in bad shape; she suggests adding information in the Administrator's newsletter that it is the responsibility of the homeowner to check their sidewalks; she took a nasty fall recently and wants residents to be careful.

Toni Lauto, thanked council for their efforts; she asked if our facilities can manage the demand of influx of people with social distancing requirements. Mayor Farrell responded our limit on the beach is 4,580 patrons and lifeguard assignments were expanded to spread out beach patrons. Councilman Clemmensen noted we have daily sanitizing measures in place.

Tim Harmon, Emergency Management Coordinator, commented that beach patrons are practicing social distancing; we have measures in place and we will make any necessary changes as we move forward.

Councilman Mastrorilli commented that we do not have extensive facilities; it's a difficult task to spread out.

There being no further comments from the public participating and by consensus, the public comment period was closed at 8:40 PM. Mayor Farrell advised that Council has matters to discuss in Executive Session, and requested a motion to adjourn for purposes of the discussion; he further noted that action may be taken by Council upon return to public session and that the public may remain in the virtual meeting until Council returns to public session. **UPON MOTION** of Council President Fetzer, seconded by Councilman Begley, carried, that the following **Resolution No. 138-2020** be and the same is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and,

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Girt, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.
- 2. The general nature of the subject matter(s) to be discussed is litigation, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Brian and Tess Manley, Denis Lauzon and Candice Kadimik v. the Borough of Sea Girt and the Avon Hotel Corp. t/a The Parker House;
  - b. 501 Washington Boulevard, LLC; 503 Washington Boulevard, LLC; Sitar Sea Girt, LLC; 900 Fifth Avenue, LLC; Sitco Sea Girt, LLC v. Borough of Sea Girt, Borough Council of Sea Girt, Sea Girt Planning Board;
  - c. Potential Litigation; contractual issues;
  - d. Personnel matter.
- 3. It is anticipated at this time that the subject matters will be made public, if and when, confidentiality is no longer necessary. Action may be taken upon return to public session.
- 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain	
Councilman Clemmensen	Х				
Councilman Mastrorilli	Х				
Councilman Begley	Х				
Council President Fetzer	Х				
Councilwoman Giegerich	X				
Councilwoman Anthony	Х	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<del> </del>		

The Council returned to public session at 9:10 PM. There being no further business, and **UPON MOTION** of Council President Fetzer, seconded by Councilman Mastrorilli, carried, that the meeting be finally and immediately adjourned at 9:10 PM.

## Recorded Vote:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Clemmensen	X		<del>                                     </del>	
Councilman Mastrorilli	X			
Councilman Begley	X	·		
Council President Fetzer				
Councilwoman Giegerich			i	
Councilwoman Anthony	X	<del></del>		

Lorraine P. Carafa

LORRAINE P. CARAFA, RMC Municipal Clerk P.O. Type: All Range: First Format: Condensed

to Last

Open: N Paid: N Void: N

RCVd: Y Held: Y Aprv: N

State: Y Other: Y Exempt: Y Bid: Y

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PO #	PO Date	Vendor		PO Description	Status	Amount	Void Amount PO Type
19-00599	06/06/19	00349	VERIZON WIRELESS	Ipads and unlimited data	Open	160.04	0.00 B
	01/10/20		HORIZON BC/BS OF NJ DENTAL	2020 Dental	Open	3,030.85	0.00 B
			Principal Life Insurance Co	Life Ins. 2020	Open	253.81	0.00 B
	01/10/20		STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	Short term disability Ins.	Open	286.20	0.00 B
	01/13/20		A'S GARDEN & HOME CENTER	misc	Open	309.87	0.00 B
	01/13/20		A'S GARDEN & HOME CENTER	Misc	Open Open	28.98	0.00 B
	01/13/20		AQUATIC SERVICES - E. Runyon	Lab Testing Services	•	240.00	
	01/13/20		Carton Law Firm	Prosecutor sevices	Open Open		0.00 B
	01/13/20		THE COAST STAR	Legal Advertising	Open Open	953.75	0.00 B
	01/13/20		THE COAST STAR	<del>-</del> .	Open	35.35	0.00 B
	01/13/20		Cross Over Networks	Planning Brd Advertising	Open Open	106.40	0.00 B
	01/13/20			IT services	0pen	2,961.70	0.00 в
			Dynamic Testing Services	Drug & Alcohol Testing	0pen	215.00	0.00 B
	01/13/20		JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	Electric Public Works	0pen	1,158.31	0.00 B
	01/13/20		JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	Electric Street Lights	0pen	2,585.51	0.00 в
	.01/13/20		JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	Electric Service Library	0pen	28.57	0.00 в
	01/13/20		JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	Electric Service Paddle Tennis	0pen	5.48	0.00 B
	01/13/20		JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	Electric Service Water Plant	0pen	2,984.87	0.00 B
	01/13/20		KEPWEL SPRING WATER CO., INC.	Bottled Water	0pen	14.00	0.00 в
	01/13/20		KEPWEL SPRING WATER CO., INC.	Bottled water	0pen	63.65	0.00 в
	01/14/20		The Law Offices of	Legal Services, Planning Brd	0pen	2,184.00	0.00 B
20-00060	01/14/20	MAZZA	Mazza Mulch, Inc.	Brush Disposal	0pen	1,872.00	0.00 B
20-00061	01/14/20	00040	MONMOUTH COUNTY TREASURER	Waste & Recycling Disposal		10,214.45	0.00 B
20-00065	01/14/20	01565	MON. CTY. REG. HEALTH COMM. #1		0pen	9,157.41	0.00 B
20-00070	01/14/20	01942	ONE CALL CONCEPTS	Mark-out services	Open	80.08	0.00 B
	01/14/20		Optimum	Beach - Internet, Phone, TV	Open	267.54	0.00 B
	01/14/20		Optimum	Water & DPW - Inter, TV, Phone	Open	19.78	0.00 B
	01/14/20		Optimum	Police - TV Services	Open	36.43	0.00 B
	01/14/20		SEABOARD WELDING SUPPLY, INC.	Bottle Gas supplies	Open	70.00	0.00 в
	01/14/20		TransUnion Risk & Alternative		Open	50.00	0.00 в
	01/14/20		TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY		Open	25.00	0.00 в
	01/14/20		VERIZON WIRELESS	cell phones	-	156.84	0.00 B
	01/14/20		VERIZON WIRELESS	2020 Services	Open		
	01/14/20				Open Open	277.89	0.00 B
	01/14/20		MARK WOSZCZAK MECH.CONTS. INC.		Open -	13,511.69	0.00 B
			AMERICAN UNIFORM & SUPPLY	Patches	0pen	345.00	0.00
	01/24/20		VERIZON	Verizon Service	0pen	132.05	0.00 в
	01/24/20		JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	Electric Beach	0pen	249.78	0.00 в
	02/28/20		By Design Landscapes, Inc.	Turf Maintenance & weed contro	•	120.00	0.00 в
	03/12/20		The Law Offices of	523-533 Washington/Paglia	0pen	490.00	0.00 в
	03/30/20		Mazza Mulch, Inc.	Requisition Request 20-102	Open	90.00	0.00 B
	04/01/20		Atlantic Coast Fibers LLC	Recycling	Open	2,585.10	0.00 в
	04/02/20		VAN WICKLE AUTO SUPPLY	Misc parts	0pen	498.72	0.00 B
	04/13/20		The Law Offices of	Avon Hotel Corp.8-12 Beacon	Open	364.00	0.00 в
	04/15/20		CLAYTON BLOCK	Blue staone@ 34.30 ton	Open	596.16	0.00 в
20-00454	05/06/20	LF01	Lifeforce USA, Inc.	Lifeguard training	Open	2,163.16	0.00
20-00456	05/06/20	00733	KALDOR Emergency Light, LLC	New Siren/Pa arrow stik Tundra		1,138.06	0.00
	05/13/20		Up N Runnin' II, LLC	truck repair	Open	638.36	0.00
	05/14/20		Country Clean Paper Supplies	Janitorial supplies	Open	714.88	0.00
	05/26/20		Mount Holly Motorsports	Yamaha Grizzly ATV	Open	19,228.20	0.00
	05/29/20		SHERWIN WILLIAMS	Line striping paint	Open	13.55	0.00
	06/02/20		GRAINGER	mirror	•	262.40	
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	06/03/20		SANITATION EQUIPMENT CORP.	Seal Kit	Open	84.79	0.00	
	06/03/20		GOODYEAR TIRE CRAFT	Trailer tires	0pen	239.72	0.00	
20-00534	06/08/20	<b>AENVELOP</b>	Atlantic Envelope	# 10 Window envelopes	0pen	589.00	0.00	
	06/10/20		Tricor Direct, Inc./Seton	Traffic signs	0pen	3,502.03	0.00	
	06/16/20		GRAINGER	Trash bags	0pen	732.50	0.00	
20-00566	06/17/20	01912	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	Misc folders	0pen	179.88	0.00	
20-00567	06/18/20	C1967	Country Clean Paper Supplies	Janitorial Supplies	0pen	306.70	0.00	
20-00577	06/19/20	00060	MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	Estimated tax bills	0pen	513.00	0.00	
20-00579	06/23/20	SECURITY	Security Shutter Corp.	Repair beach shutters	0pen	140.00	0.00	
	06/24/20		TREASURER, STATE OF NJ	Storm Water Discharge permit		1,050.00	0.00	
20-00582	06/24/20	PASHMAN	Pashman Stein Walder Hayden PC	Sitar litigation	0pen	1,147.00	0.00 в	
0-00583	06/24/20	ALS01	Atlantic Lock & Safe	Replace handles	Open	677.00	0.00	
0-00593	06/25/20	00720	EDMUNDS & ASSOCIATES	Set-up Estimated Tax billing		350.00	0.00	
0-00607	06/29/20	C1967	Country Clean Paper Supplies	Janitorial suplies	0pen	824.62	0.00	
	06/29/20		Cross Over Networks	SSD and memory upgrades	Open	2,418.45	0.00	
0-00610	06/29/20	00077	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RET. SYSTEM	Employer portion of retro	0pen	1,096.53	0.00	
0-00611	06/29/20	PFRS	Police& Fire Retirement System		0pen	1,618.50	0.00	
0-00619	06/30/20	00730	DETCON	Slide Blade Cylindar seal ki		314.12	0.00	
	06/30/20		DIVERS TWO, INC.	Diving Equipment	0pen	176.89	0.00	
	06/30/20		SNEAKERS PLUS of Wall, Inc.	Shirts	0pen	624.00	0.00	
0-00622	06/30/20	01208	SCOLES FLOOR SHINE JAN. SUPPLY	Aerosol Disinfectant	Open .	139.40	0.00	
	07/01/20		CHERRY VALLEY TRACTOR SALES	Parts	0pen	367.41	0.00	
	07/01/20		MUN. CLERKS ASSOC, OF NJ	2020-2021 Membership Dues	0pen	175.00	0.00	
	07/01/20		The Library Corporation	Library Software	Open	3,561.50	0.00 B	
	07/02/20		LORRAINE P. CARAFA	Reimbursement	Open	92.41	0.00	
otal Pur	rchase Or	ders:	75 Total P.O. Line Items:	O Total List Amount: 1	103,895.32	Total Void A	mount: (	0.0

20-00605	Bernadette McGullam
20-00608	Partricia Summers
	State of NJ
	HS Bank

Reimbursement	583.21
Change Fund	1,000.00
Health Benefits	55,876.46
NJEIT Loan payment	290,004.24
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Totals by Year-Fu Fund Description		Budget Rcvd	Budget Held	Budget Total	Revenue Total	G/L Total	Total
CURRENT FUND	0-01	107,459.73 -151,583.27	0.00	51,583.27	0.00	0,00	51,583.27
CORRENT FORD	0 01	308,598.61	0.00	31,303.27	0.00	0.00	71,303.47
WATER OPERATING	0-05	18,594,37	0.00	18,594.37	0.00	0.00	18,594.37
BEACH OPERATING	0-09	18,361.12 17,361.12	0.00	17,361.12	0.00	0.00	17,361.12
TRUST OTHER	0-25	1,032.40	0.00	1,032.40	0.00	0.00	1,032,40
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GENERAL CAPITAL	C-04	4,800.54	0.00	4,800.54	0.00	0.00	4,800.54
WATER CAPITAL	W-06	160.04	0.00	160.04	0.00	0.00	160.04
Total Of All	Funds:	<del>-103,895.32</del>	~ 0.00	103,895.32	0.00	0.00	103,895.32

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Fram: Jim Sanajard, Shade Iree Commission Chair June 19, 2019

The members of the Shade Tree Commission have inspected the nine trees of concern in front of St. Mark's Church and Rectory on Crescent Parkway. When considering the need for action that might include removal of a tree, two things need to be considered: the health and condition of the tree and the location of the tree. The consensus of the Commission is as follows.

Each of the trees was inspected visually by the individuals. Many areas of concern were noted including wounds that have not healed, signs of rot and die back. Two of the trees are leaning into the street. The consensus (5-0) is that all nine trees show degradation indicating failing health.

The location, as we all know, is a very busy one with people from the area going to and from the Church and Rectory. In fact, an argument could be made that the combination of the size of the trees and the amount of foot and automobile traffic makes this the most sensitive location in town.

The next question to be considered was what should be done. The consensus (5-0) is that all nine trees should be removed. The final question was how fast should they be removed. The result (4-1) was that they should be removed this year and replacement trees planted in the fall. This approach covers the hazard at once, disrupts the neighborhood just once and should result with the replacement trees growing in parallel.

## **Lorraine Carafa**

From:

Bill Brash <forester82@aol.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 16, 2020 1:13 PM

To:

lcarafa@seagirtboro.com

Cc:

thesandfords400@gmail.com

Subject:

Re: St Mark's

Attachments:

Sea Girt Borough Crescent Parkway Assessment.pdf

Lorraine.

Attached is the report I issued back in 2017 for the trees along Crescent Parkway. In my review of these same trees with Jim Sandford on June 5, 2020 there was evidence of additional decay to these trees and thus, added risk.

As you know, risk is a function of hazard and the presence of a target below a tree that is deemed hazardous. St Marks is a large, busy Parish with multiple functions bringing people and vehicles (targets) below these trees on a regular and consistent basis.

All these factors plus the declining health of these trees already deemed a hazard (in 2017) increases the risk of damage or injury to people and vehicles beneath these trees.

If you want me to do another complete assessment in repeat of the 2017 report I can, but it will simply reveal what we already know. These trees have reached a condition that requires removal by prudent managers concerned about the residents that drive and walk below them.

I suggest their removal and replacement pursuant to the recommendations included in the 2017 report.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information do not hesitate to contact me.

Highest regards,

Bill

Shelterwood Forest Managers, LLC
5 Wildwood Way
Freehold, NJ,07728
(C) 732.890.0725,
NJ Approved Consulting Forester
NJ Certified Tree Expert, CTE #375
Society of American Foresters-Fellow 2007
USDA-NRCS, Technical Service Provider

----Original Message----

From: Lorraine Carafa <a href="mailto:lorraine">lorraine Carafa <a href=

To: Bill Brash < forester82@aol.com>

Cc: Jim Sandford < thesandfords400@gmail.com>

Sent: Mon, Jun 15, 2020 8:56 am

Subject: St Mark's

Good morning, Bill,

In order to address the issues with the trees at St. Mark's, please send me a written condition report so I can advise the Msgr. that the removal of the trees is based on the threat to public health and safety and they will be removed ASAP. The verbal, while helpful for our purposes, is just not enough at this time. Thank you for your help and cooperation.

## Sea Girt Borough Crescent Parkway Tree Assessment Report



## Prepared by:

Shelterwood Forest Managers, LLC 5 Wildwood Way Freehold, NJ 07728 William F. Brash Jr., Forester NJ Approved Consulting Forester Certified Tree Expert, CTE #375

## Prepared for:

Borough of Sea Girt - STC PO Box 296 Sea Girt, NJ 08750 Chairman: Mike Matthews **SUMMARY:** Shelterwood Forest Managers, LLC was contracted by the Borough of Sea Girt to conduct a basic tree risk assessment and evaluation for 10 trees located on the North side of Crescent Parkway adjacent to St Marks Church. These trees were individually evaluated photographed, acoustically sounded and assessed using a Level 1 visual assessment.

In total 10 street trees were tallied, evaluated and are included in this report. All the trees included in this assessment were Acer Saccharum, Sugar maple and approximately 50-60 years old. The ten (10) trees ranged from 17 to 27 inches dbh (diameter at breast height) and 36 to 48 feet in height.

## METHODOLOGY: Visual Tree Assessment (VTA)

There are a number of published methodologies the professional arboriculturist can follow when inspecting trees. The bottom line is that whichever process is used, it must be a logical, systematic and diagnostic approach.

Additionally the inspection should consider the surrounding environment, in which the trees are growing, with particular attention to the site history and any recent changes. An important note is the time period used in the risk assessment. In this case a 1-year time period was used in the assessment. The trees evaluated were believed to be reasonably free of defect and risk for the period of a year. Increasing the time period increases the uncertainty and increases the estimates of removals and pruning.

The most widely used approach, when inspecting trees, is Visual Tree Assessment (VTA), as devised by Claus Mattheck. The assessment consists of 3 stages and compares the tree being inspected to a notional healthy, vigorous and defect free specimen.

It is important to note that even healthy, vigorous and defect free specimens have a natural failure rate. Also note that these are only visual inspections from the perspective of ground level. Defects both hidden from below by position or height or root defects below ground cannot be determined by this level of assessment.

## Level 1 Assessment:

- A Identify the location and selection criteria for trees to be assessed.
- A Determine the most efficient route and document the route taken.
- Assess the tree(s) of concern from the defined perspective, i.e. route taken, walk or drive
- Record location and condition of trees along the defined route (Crescent Parkway)
- Evaluate the risk.
- Identify trees needing a higher level of assessment and/or prompt action.
- Submit recommendations or report.

The following conditions were used to evaluate the tree risk along the streets in Freehold Borough using a visual inspection performed on the ground.

- 1. Major Defects and Tree Conditions
- 2. Root collar/Root plate loss of support
- 3. Decay (root, trunk, structural limbs)
- 4. Cracks (trunk, structural limbs, branches >2")
- 5. Codominant stems (and/or Included bark)
- 6. Dead parts
- 7. Broken and/or hanging branches
- 8. Unusual tree architecture (lean, taper, limb/branch distribution, cultural)

It is important to note that even healthy, vigorous and defect free specimens have a natural failure rate. Also note that these are only visual inspections from the perspective of ground level. Defects both hidden from below by position or height or root defects below ground cannot be determined by this level of assessment.

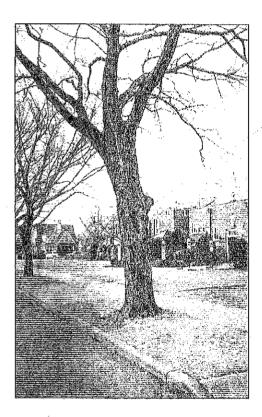
Sea Girt Borough Crescent Parkway 2012 Imagery – NJDEP



Crescent Parkway Trees evaluated

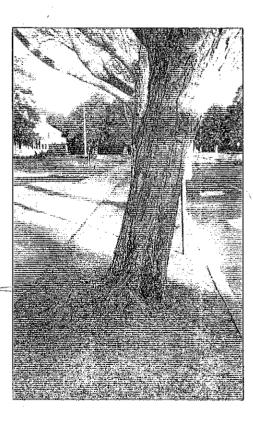
The ten trees included in this inventory were all estimated to be between 50-60 years old. They all showed multiple pruning cuts that remain unsealed with visible interior decay initiated from the unsealed pruning cut. They all showed root impacts from sidewalk and curb construction occurring after they were planted. Several trees had the root flair covered with excess fill material from that same sidewalk and curb construction. Sugar maples are susceptible to salt damage from street and sidewalk salting. These trees all showed impacts to salt usage.

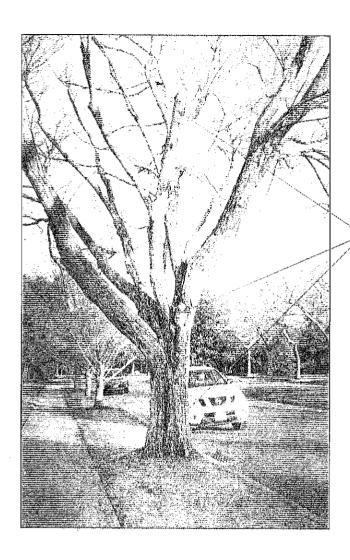
All pruned areas showed little or no reaction wood response to the pruning. This condition shows the trees are in decline and are having difficulty maintaining basic processes. Twig growth was 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  -2 inches well below the normal twig growth of this species. This reduction in growth was no doubt a result of the past two years of late growing season drought and the overall declining condition of the trees.



This tree has significant decay in the trunk portion of the tree

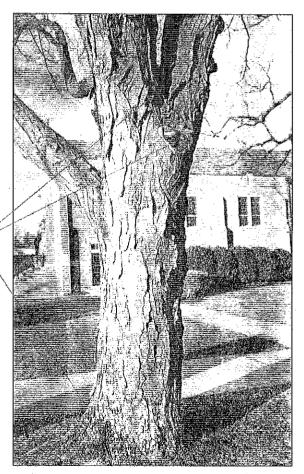
This tree has had its roots severed at the sidewalk, when the walk was installed. The tree is leaning off plum towards the street and shows a raised root-cap on the backside of the lean.

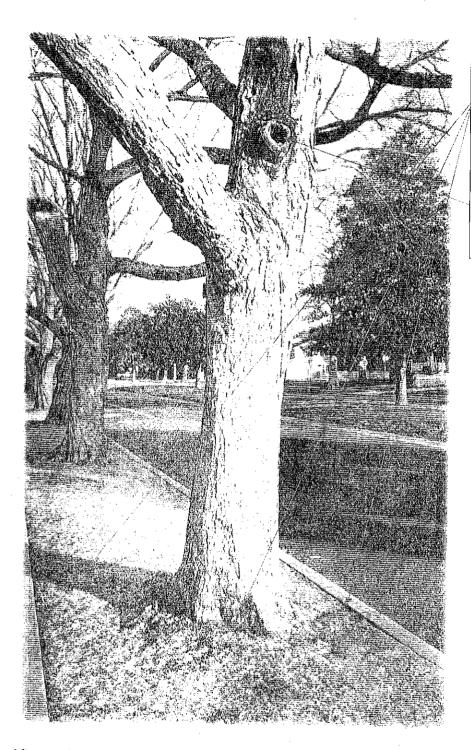




This tree shows multiple unsealed pruning wounds, large dead limbs and possible extensive trunk decay from an old lightning strike

This trees shows a large unsealed pruning cut, poor branch angle with included bark indicating a large but structurally unsound branch attachment and possible trunk decay.





This tree shows evidence the roots were cut during sidewalk and curb construction and then backfilled with excess soil after construction was completed.

The large pruning cut never sealed and extensive decay can be seen in the trunk

After evaluating these ten Sugar maple trees and seeing the accumulation of impacts to these trees over time: salt usage, unseafed pruning cuts, little or no twig growth, extensive trunk decay, dead limbs, severed roots, and filled root caps, my recommendation is to remove these trees and plant replacements. Using a 5-year review period these trees will simply continue to decline and pose a hazard for the next 5 years. Removing them and replacing them with healthy trees with 5 years of growth is preferred. No possible hazards for 5 years and 5 years of growth on the new trees to gain size and stature.

## Suggested Replacement Trees

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Platanus X	acerifolia "Blood	good"	"Bloodgood" L	d" London planetree Bloodgood cultivar is anthracnose resistant. Large stately shadetree				
Gleditsia "Skyline"	triacanthos	Inermis	"Skyline" honeylocust	thornless/fuitless	Fruitless varieties should be used here. Salt tolerant. Large stately shadetree.			
Quercus bio	color	TERRITORIS CONTRACTOR	Swamp white	oak	Tolerant of salt. Large stately shadetree.			

# Crescent Parkway Tree Assessment Ratings\*

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Tellow - Clauke		Orange - Red	7. S. O. C. S. C. S.	Red
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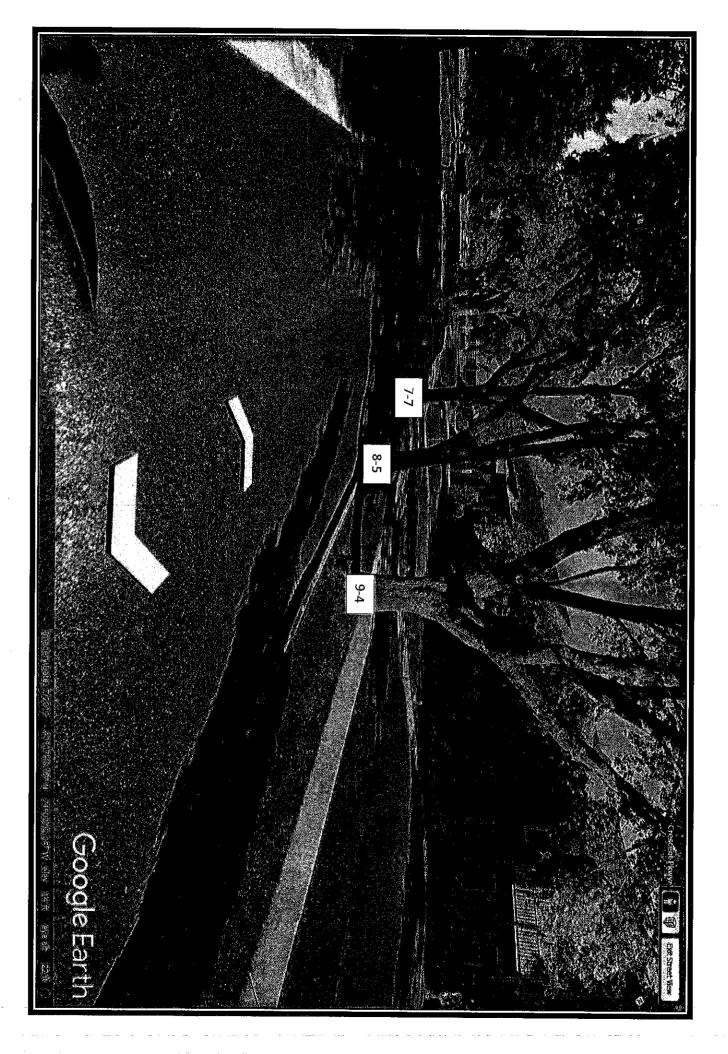
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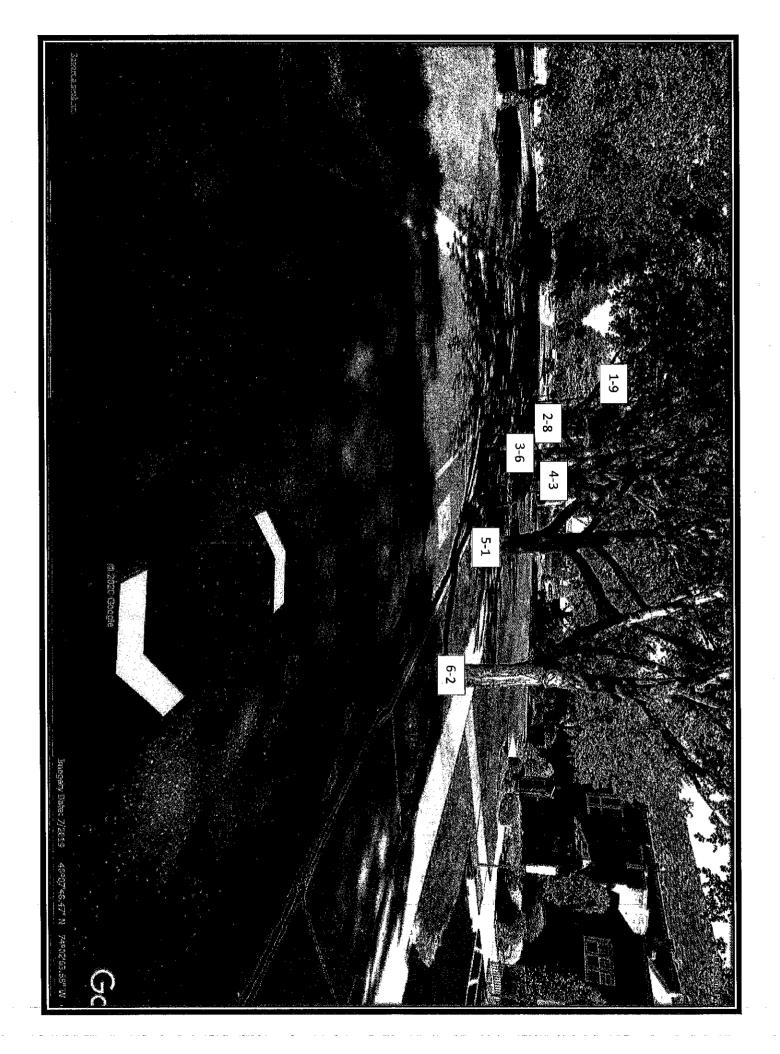
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Borough of Sea Girt 20200619-2

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Sea Girt, NJ 08750

## We hereby submit estimates for:

Description	. Cost
Removal - Grind stump	100000000000000000000000000000000000000
Remove (8) 24" Maple - 219 - 223 Crescent Pkwy / front curb	
Tree needs to be marked before crews arrival	
Boro of Sea Girt Contract - 9/1/19 - 8/31/20	\$5,440.00
<ul> <li>1) Trimmer - \$75 per man per hour for 16 hours = \$1200</li> <li>2) Tree climber - \$50 per man per hour for 16 hours = \$800</li> <li>3) Journeyman - \$25 per man per hour for 16 hours = \$400</li> <li>4) Bucket truck - \$50 per hour for 16 hours = \$800</li> <li>6) Dump truck - \$50 per hour for 16 hours = \$800</li> <li>7) Stump grinder - \$80 per hour for 8 hours = \$640</li> <li>8) Chipper - \$50 per hour for 16 hours = \$800</li> </ul>	
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		Prune 16" Zelkova - 711 Baltimore Blvd / front curb - elevate low limbs	
2	Maple	Removal - Grind stump	
		Remove 24" Maple - 219 - 223 Crescent Pkwy / front curb	
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3	Pear	Prune	
		Prune 12" Pear - 103 Stockton Blvd / front curb - elevate low limbs & reduce	
4	Dead Tree	Removal - Grind stump	
		Remove 4" Dead tree - 207 Chicago Blvd / front curb	
5	Contract	Boro of Sea Girt Contract - 9/1/19 - 8/31/20	\$2,640.00
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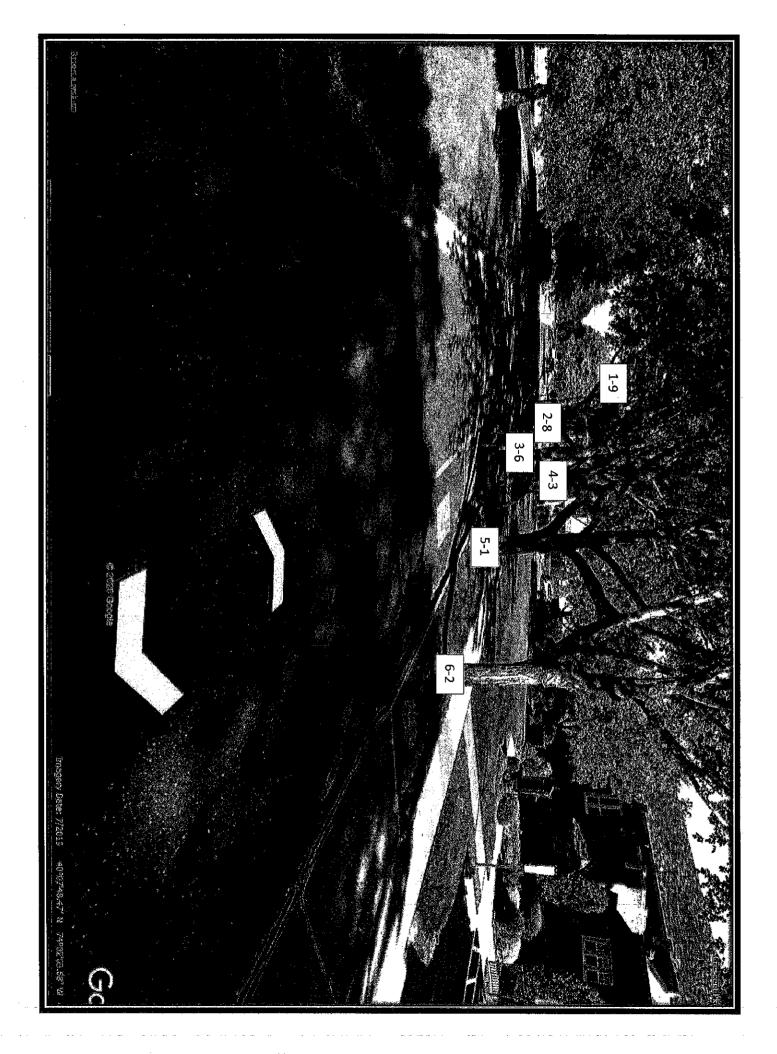
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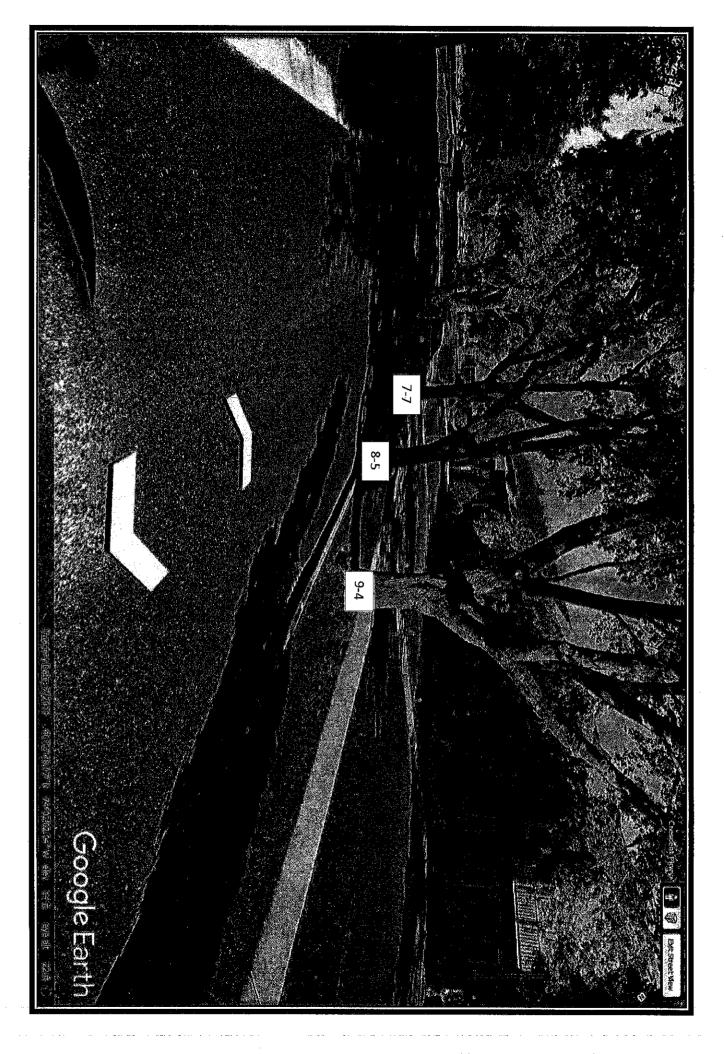
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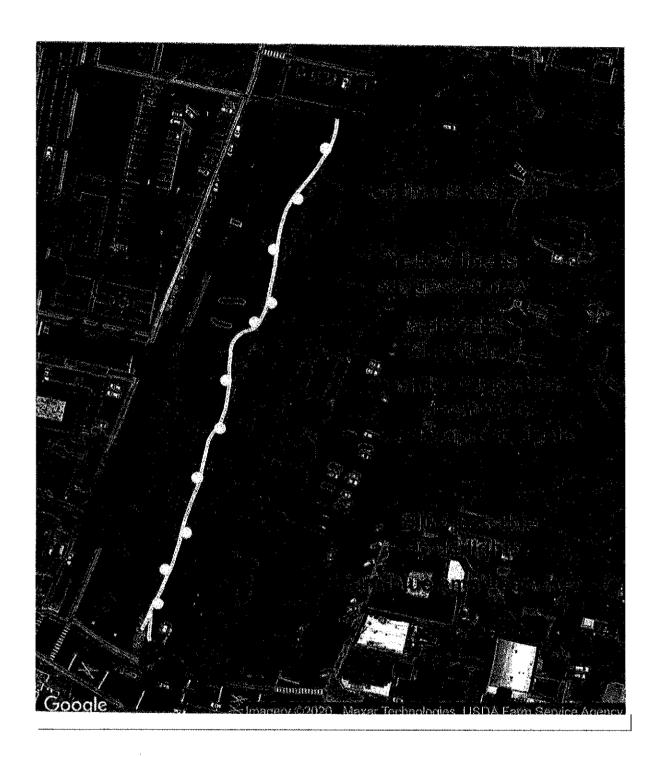
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