

MUNICIPALITY OF PENN HILLS

Ordinance No. 2017 - 2596

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF PENN HILLS,
COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF
PENNSYLVANIA, CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A
SHADE TREE COMMISSION FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF
PENN HILLS

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Penn Hills desires to promote the preservation and development of shade trees in Penn Hills, and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with other community organizations throughout the State of Pennsylvania there appears to be a general consensus that the shade tree preservation and development and other conservation activities are important to the community health and welfare, and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Penn Hills desires to work with and support these efforts with its citizens and neighboring communities, and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Penn Hills recognizes that citizens have come forward expressing a desire to form and a willingness to serve on a Shade Tree Commission with the intention of pursuing various grants and sources of funding for such programs, and

WHEREAS, the Municipality recognizes that establishing a Shade Tree Commission is often a prerequisite to successfully obtaining such funds, and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission shall be advisory in nature and directed to undertake activities and provide direction and recommendations to the Mayor and Council as follows:

SECTION 1 – RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Seek appropriate private, State, and Federal funding for various programs related to the development and preservation of shade trees, the development and promotion of various environmental projects, and related beautification projects.
2. Develop a shade tree inventory.
3. Develop a resource file with specific species and suggestions for proper location and planting.
4. Provide recommendations to the Planning Department and the Mayor and

Council regarding the establishment of rules and regulations providing for the maintenance, management, removal, and protection of shade trees and other natural resources.

5. Provide assistance to the Parks and Recreation Coordinator, Department of Planning and Economic Development, The Department of Code Enforcement and the Penn Hills Manager on related issues.
6. Promote educational programs and citizen participation possibilities in relation to shade tree promotion and similar environmental beautification efforts.

SECTION II – STRUCTURE

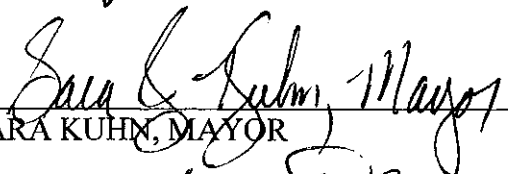
The Shade Tree Commission shall consist of five members appointed by the Mayor and Council. The Shade Tree Commission shall adopt its own operating procedures consistent with established guidelines. The Commission shall report whenever deemed appropriate to the Mayor and Council but at least annually.

Now, Therefore be it ordained that a Penn Hills Shade Tree Commission is hereby established consisting of five members appointed for a five year term by the Mayor and Council, that this committee shall serve without compensation, and shall develop their own rules of procedure consistent with established guidelines. The names and terms of the original commission members shall be:

Kathy Raborn	3 years
<u>BRYAN DOLNEY</u>	3 years
<u>SANDY FEATHER</u>	2 years
<u>TORI DESJOHN</u>	2 years
<u>KATIE SCHULLER</u>	1 year

NOW, Therefore be it further ordained that the Mayor and Council of Penn Hills hereby approve and adopt this ordinance and authorize the Commission to begin the above described activities.

THIS ORDINANCE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF PENN HILLS on this 12th day of June, A.D., 2017.


SARA KUHN, MAYOR

DATE June 12, 2017


MOHAMMED RAYAN, MANAGER

DATE June 12, 2017