

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM MONDAY MAY 10, 2010

MUNCIPAL COMPLEX

Meeting is called to order at 7:45pm

Roll Call was taken

Sherry Cilea – Not Present

Pat Ondar –Present

Debi Richards –Present

Tara Vitale –Present

Jeff Weiss – Present

Shari Spero – CME Associates – Not Present

Scott Metzger – Councilperson –Present

Opening statement is read by Jeff Weiss, chairperson.

As the presiding officer of this meeting of the Marlboro Shade Tree Committee, I hereby declare that the notice requirements in accordance with the provisions of the open meeting law chapter 21, P.L. 1995 has been provided in accordance with the annual notice procedures of C 10.428 of said Act. I further order that this public announcement be place in the minutes of this meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April meeting was made by Jeff Weiss and seconded by Pat Ondar.

Proposed Tree Park

The status remains in the early development stage. The committee will reach out to the Open Space Committee to begin planning for the tree park.

Open items from April meeting

- **Five Year Forestry Plan** –The committee is still on target to meet all requirements and goals. The committee will continue to meet its goals through educational outreach, updating the recommended street tree list and participating in Beautification Day.
- **Tree City USA** – The application for recertification has been approved. The committee received active status for year two. The committee received two Year Stickers to post on the current tree city signs. A new flag was also received.
- **Chapter 32 Discussion** – Chapter 32 has been renamed Chapter 337. The ordinance is in the final stages of review which is being handled by the township attorney and CME associates.
- **Arbor Day 2010**- Arbor Day took place on Saturday, May 1, 2010. The committee discussed and reviewed the event and made considerations for Arbor Day 2011. Volunteers participated in a breakfast event and then planted around 700 sapling trees at the library as well as 25 larger trees.
- Channel 77 and Marlboro Contents covered the event.

Speaker, Maria Kramer, master gardener received an honorary award before she demonstrated proper planting techniques.

TAC members volunteered and assisted in set up, clean up and planting. Daisy, Girl, and Boy Scout volunteers were in attendance.

Wegmans donated water, juice, cream cheese, and butter for the breakfast, as well as participated in the planting event. Bagel World of Marlboro donated the bagels for the breakfast. Turtle Creek Learning Academy of Marlboro donated the Barnes and Noble gift certificates which will be awarded to all poster contest winners at the next Town Council Meeting. Dr. Joe Cilea of

Advance Wellness Center donated 150 pairs of garden gloves for the volunteers. Thank you letters will be sent to all companies for their generous donations.

Girl Scout Troop 1795 provided an activity book, tree project, flag ceremony and poem reading.

DPW dug the holes, assisted, and provide mulch for the event.

- **Beautification Day 2010** – The Shade Tree Committee will continue to support and work with the Beautification Committee in 2010. We will host the poster contest again for 2010. Committee members will be in attendance on Beautification Day on May 22, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS

- The committee considered utilizing grant funds for education activity with students.
- The committee will look into further landscape needs at various locations throughout Marlboro for 2010.

The next meeting date will be June 15, 2010 at 7:30pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40. Motion to adjourn was made by Pat Ondar and seconded by Tara Vitale.

