

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2011

MUNCIPAL COMPLEX

Meeting is called to order at 7:40pm

Roll Call was taken

Sherry Cilea –Present

Eric Engel – Present

Pat Ondar –Not Present

Debi Richards –Present

Tara Vitale – Present

Jeff Weiss – Present

Shari Spero – CME Associates –Not Present

Scott Metzger – Councilperson –Not 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 December meeting was made by Tara Vitale and seconded by Eric Engel.

Proposed Tree Park

The Smith Farm is being considered as a possible location for the tree park, pending a town purchase. Letters are being written to Rutgers to reach out for a design layout of the park. The Committee discussed a layout contest among various colleges in order to obtain landscape architect services at no cost.

Open items from December meeting

- **Five Year Forestry Plan** –The committee is still on target to meet all requirements and goals. The township is entering its fourth year. At the end of the fourth year an application for a grant for the next five years will be worked on.
- **Tree City USA** – The application has been completed. The committee looked into other sign possibilities.
- **Chapter 337 Discussion** – The ordinance is in the final revisions. It will be presented for approval to the council upon completion.
- **Arbor Day 2011-** Will take place on Saturday, April 30 2011. The committee reviewed possible site locations and participation of volunteers. Budget and donations were also reviewed. The size and type of trees to be planted was discussed.
- **Beautification Day 2011** – The Shade Tree Committee will continue to support and work with the Beautification Committee in 2011. We will host the poster contest again for 2011.

NEW BUSINESS

- The committee discussed a tree park budget.
- The five year forestry plan annual report is due by February 15, 2011

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:25pm by Eric Engel and seconded by Sherry Cilea.

The next meeting date will be February 21, 2011.