

# **MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES FROM MAY 17, 2012**

**MUNICIPAL COMPLEX**

Meeting is called to order at 6:40PM

Roll Call was taken

Sherry Cilea – Present

Eric Engel –Present

Pat Ondar – Present

Debi Richards – Present

Tara Vitale –Present

Jeff Weiss – Present

Shari Spero – CME Associates –Not Present

Randi Marder – Councilperson –Present

Sandy Buccine – Girl Scout Troup 1795

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 Debi Richards and seconded by Sherry Cilea.

## **Proposed Tree Park**

An Open Space property recently purchased by the town is being considered for the proposed Tree Park. The committee is reaching out to contacts at Rutgers University to obtain a landscape plan, at no cost. The committee will work with the Open Space Committee on this project.

## **Open items from the April meeting**

- **Five Year Forestry Plan** - A grant to fund the cost of the next Five Year Forestry Plan was approved by the state. CME associates are writing the new plan for the next five years. The town will provide final approval.
- **Tree City USA** – The committee is in compliance. Recertification has been issued to Marlboro Township.
- **Chapter 337 Discussion** – The ordinance is in the final stages of development. The ordinance will be presented to the board for final approval.
- **Arbor Day 2012**- Arbor Day 2012 took place on Saturday, April 28, 2012. The committee hosted a breakfast and information session. Girl Scout Troop 1795 assisted the volunteers in creating a tree out of recycled materials. An Arbor Day proclamation was read by Randy Marder, councilwoman. Jeff Weiss, Chairperson, led the volunteers in the planting of the Arbor Day Ceremonial Tree. Volunteers included Daisy, Brownie, Girl Scout Troops and TAC members. Volunteers along with the Shade Tree Committee planted large trees on recreation way and created a nursery of smaller trees behind the township hockey rink. DPW assisted in the planting and fenced off the nursery.
- **Beautification Day 2012**- The committee will continue to support the poster contest and participate in Beautification Day on May 19, 2012.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The Committee donated 2 Dogwood trees to the after school program. Thea Pace, Director and Adrienne Spota coordinated this outdoor activity. Dr. Abbott, Superintendent of Schools and Mayor Hornik will be in attendance to assist in the planting on May 18, 2012 at Marlboro Elementary School along with members of the Shade Tree Committee.

Members of the committee will participate in the Memorial Day Parade on Sunday, May 27 at 2pm and the Mayor's Bike Ride on Saturday, June 2.

The Mayor appointed new member Mary Eng to the committee. Mary will attend all future meetings.

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:30pm by Sherry Cilea and seconded by Pat Ondar.

**The next meeting date will be determined.**