

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM MONDAY APRIL 26, 2010

MUNCIPAL COMPLEX

Meeting is called to order at 7:45pm

Roll Call was taken

Sherry Cilea –Present

Suzi Leifer –Not Present

Pat Ondar –Present

Debi Richards –Present

Tara Vitale –Present

Jeff Weiss – Present

Shari Spero – CME Associates –Present

Scott Metzger – Councilperson –Not Present

Also in attendance;

Girl Scout Troop 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 March meeting was made by Tara Vitale and seconded by Sherry Cilea.

Proposed Tree Park

The status remains in the early development stage. The committee will work towards a development plan after Arbor Day.

Open items from March 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 Arbor Day, educational outreach, updating the recommended street tree list and participating in Beautification Day. The hazardous tree survey is too costly to consider.
- **Tree City USA** – The application for recertification has been approved. The committee received status for two years. A Two Year Sticker was received to post on the current tree city signs.
- **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 will take place on Saturday, May 1, 2010. The committee discussed the agenda for Arbor Day. Subcommittee meetings took place over the month.

Media coverage was confirmed. Channel 77 and Marlboro Contents will be covering the event.

Speakers, Maria Kramer, master gardener, and Shari Spero of CME Associates were confirmed.

TAC members volunteering were confirmed. Daisy, Girl and Boy Scout volunteers were confirmed. There will be over 100 of the Scouts participating (not including leaders and parents).

Wegmans will be donating water, juice, cream cheese, and butter for the breakfast, as well as participating in the planting event. Bagel World of Marlboro will donate the bagels for the breakfast. Turtle Creek Learning Academy of Marlboro has donated the Barnes and Noble gift certificates which will be awarded to all poster contest winners. Dr. Joe Cilea of Advance Wellness Center donated 150 pairs of garden gloves for the volunteers.

Girl Scout Troop 1795 finalized all their preparations for the activity book, tree project, flag ceremony and poem reading. The free trees will be picked up on Friday April 30, 2010 . Delivery to the Early Learning Center will be made on the same day. Larger trees will be delivered to DPW. DPW will help dig the holes, assist, 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 May 10, 2010 at 7:30pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00. Motion to adjourn was made by Pat Ondar and seconded by Sherry Cilea.