

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM JANUARY 30, 2012

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

Meeting is called to order at 7:40PM

Roll Call was taken

Sherry Cilea –Not Present

Eric Engel –Not Present

Pat Ondar –Present

Debi Richards –Present

Tara Vitale –Not Present

Jeff Weiss – Present

Shari Spero – CME Associates –Present

Randi Marder – 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 December meeting was made by Pat Ondar and seconded by Debi Richards.

Proposed Tree Park

An Open Space property recently purchased by the town is being considered for the proposed Tree Park. The committee contacted Rutgers Agricultural Department and is forwarding information requested on the land to the Forestry Department to review. The committee will work with the Open Space Committee on this project.

Open items from the November meeting

- **Five Year Forestry Plan** - A grant to fund the cost of the next Five Year Forestry Plan was approved by the state. The Annual Report is due in February 2012 which keeps Marlboro's status "approved" by the state.
- **Tree City USA** – The committee is in compliance. Application for recertification was submitted to state for processing to National Arbor Day Foundation.
- **Chapter 337 Discussion** – The ordinance still in reviewed. Fees and permits are in the final stages.
- **Arbor Day 2012**- Arbor Day 2012 will take place on Saturday, April 28, 2012. The number of small and large trees still being discussed by the committee. Application for free trees from the NJ Tree Foundation is due by Feb. 24, 2012. Also discussed were location, volunteers, and planting.
- **Beautification Day 2012**- The committee will continue to support the poster contest and participate in Beautification Day.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget – The 2012 proposed STC budget was submitted to town's administration and waiting for approval.

Annual report is due February 15, 2012

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:30pm by Debi Richards and seconded by Pat Ondar.

The next meeting date will be February 27, 2012 at 7:30pm.