MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 27, 2012

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

Meeting is called to order at 7:40PM

Roll Call was taken

Sherry Cilea – Present

Eric Engel – 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 January meeting was made by Pat Ondar and seconded by Eric Engel**.**

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 various sources to obtain a landscape plan, at no cost. 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. CME associates will write the new plan for the next five years and the goals of the committee were discussed.
- **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 following was reviewed: location, tree size and number, breakfast rooms and donations, speakers, DPW involvement, outreach to participants and Girl Scout troop 1795 participation.
- **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

Community garden – The idea of a community garden that would raise funds to be applied to a charitable organization was presented by Randi Marder.

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:45pm by Debi Richards and seconded by Sherry Cilea.

The next meeting date will be March 26 at 7:30pm.