

## **MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 10, 2014**

#### **Municipal Complex-Room 2-7:30pm**

Meeting is called to order at 7:30 pm

Roll Call was taken

Sherry Cilea – Not Present

Mary Eng –Present

Eric Engel –Present

Pat Ondar –Present

Debi Richards –Present

Scott Warren – 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 July meeting was made by Jeff Weiss and seconded by Eric Engel.

## **Proposed Tree Park**

Status remains the same. The State has begun demolition on the buildings located on the Marlboro Psychiatric Property. The property will be preserved as a park. Plans will be revisited at the time the state transfers' ownership to Marlboro Township which is estimated near year end of 2014.

## **Open items from the July meeting**

- **Five Year Forestry Plan** – Status remains the same. The committee is on track with its goals.
- **Tree City USA** – Status remains the same. The Township is in its sixth year.
- **Arbor Day 2015**– The site of Arbor Day will be determined at a later date. Supplies needed for the event were reviewed.
- **Community Garden – The community garden has received final approval from Monmouth County.** A date for a ground breaking ceremony is being planned. CME associates will be partnering with the committee on the construction planning of the site. Signage and Banners for the site and ceremony were discussed. The design of the banner will be donated by Manhattan Digital Direct. A contest will be held in the future to develop a logo and signage for the garden. Rules and regulations for the garden will continue to be worked on and developed by the township and committee.
- **Marlboro Day** – The committee will participate in Marlboro Day and members have a participation schedule for the day. Free sapling trees, planting advice, the hazards of volcano mulching, tree literature and information on the community garden will be provided to residents.

## **New Business**

Scott Warren will be the communication liaison for the STC committee.

September 30, 2014 Rumson Shade Tree will be hosting a seminar on Deer in a Suburban Environment.

The New Jersey Shade Tree Conference will take place on October 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:40pm by Pat Ondar and seconded by Scott Warren.

**The next meeting date will take place on October 27, at 7:30pm**

