

## **MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES FROM MARCH 16, 2015**

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

Meeting is called to order at 7:30 pm

Roll Call was taken

Joanna Boretti-Present

Sherry Cilea – Not Present

Mary Eng –Present

Eric Engel –Present

Pat Ondar –Not Present

Debi Richards –Not Present

Scott Warren – Present

Jeff Weiss – Present

Shari Spero – CME Associates – Present

Randi Marder – Councilperson – Present

Carolyn Giovanniello-Master Gardener, Morganville Resident

Bob Mellert-Master Gardener, Morganville Resident

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 Mary Eng and seconded by Eric Engel.

## **Proposed Tree Park**

The State continues the cleanup of 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 to be spring/summer of 2015.

## **Open items from the February meeting**

- **Five Year Forestry Plan** – Status remains the same. The committee is on track with its goals.
- **Tree City USA** – The New Jersey Shade Tree and Community Assistance Annual Accomplishment reports were submitted and approved. The committee has retained status for another year. An announcement will be made during our Arbor Day Celebration.
- **Arbor Day 2015**– Our Arbor Day Celebration will take place at the community garden site on Tennant Road. The event will take place on April 25, 2015. Donations, planting and the agenda for the day continue to be discussed. Final preparations will be reviewed at our April meeting.
- **Community Garden** – The timeline was reviewed. The installation of the 8ft deer fence has begun. The committee continues to discuss and research items needed for the garden.
- **NEW BUSINESS** – The committee will continue to support Beautification Day, Memorial Day Parade, and participate in Marlboro Day 2015.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 9:00 pm by Pat Ondar and seconded by Eric Engel.

**The next meeting date will take place on April 20, 2015 at 7:30pm**