

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE
MINUTES FROM October 24, 2017
Municipal Complex, Room 1, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Jeff Weiss at 7:40 p.m.

Roll Call was taken:

Joanna Boretti -- Present

Mary Eng – Present

Eric Engel –Not Present

Beth Hutter – Present

Bob Mellert-- Present

Pat Ondar – Present

Ellen Simonetti – Present

Scott Warren—Present

Jeff Weiss –Present

Shari Spero – CME Associates – Present

Randi Marder – Councilperson –Not Present

Opening statement was entered into the record 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.

The minutes from the September meeting were approved.

Open items from the meeting:

- Five Year Forestry Plan – Shari Spero is preparing the new installment for what will be our third 5-year plan, scheduled for submission by the end of the year. Committee members will participate in the writing and editing.

Shari also noted that she is over 50% finished with her survey of the ash trees in the Township. Upon completion, the information will be uploaded and emailed to township residents.

- Community Garden. 1. Ellen Simonetti reported that construction of phase three of the garden will begin mid-November and should be completed by the end of that month. There will be 106 garden plots, of which 28 are currently still available. Jeff Weiss will ask the administration to invite township residents to apply for these open plots. 2. Permission has been obtained to remove several trees on the adjacent fire house property. The committee voted unanimously to help fund the removal. 3. A handicapped-accessible path needs to be provided from the parking area to the main gate.

New Business: Shari Spero attended the Annual State Shade Tree Conference and Ellen Simonetti and Bob Mellert each earned 4.5 continuing education units at the Master Gardener State Conference.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting will take place on November 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 1 of the Municipal Complex.