

**MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 17, 2016**

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

Meeting is called to order at 7:30pm

Roll Call was taken

Joanna Boretti- Present

Mary Eng –Present

Eric Engel –Present

Bob Mellert-Present

Pat Ondar –Present

Debi Richards –Not Present

Ellen Simonetti-Present

Scott Warren- Present

Jeff Weiss – Present

Shari Spero – CME Associates –Not 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 September meeting was made by Scott Warren and seconded by Joanna Boretti.

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

- **Five Year Forestry Plan** –Status remains the same. The committee is on track to meet its goals. Joanna Boretti continues to research on goal #5, the tree preservation ordinance.
- **Beautification Day** – Cancelled
- **Community Garden** – Phase 2 is underway. Installation of additional planters should start in early November. DPW will install 2 additional water stations. The application process for 2017 was reviewed and garden rules and regulations were revised. Ellen will present the final draft at our November meeting. Ellen and Bob continue to harvest and donate vegetables to the local food bank. November is the time for all the planters to be cleaned out. A reminder email will be sent to all the gardeners. Composting continues to be going well. 1 composting bin is completed. It was discussed to approach the scouts again for constructing an information bulletin board. Mary will speak to the scout leader.
- The New Jersey Tree Federation’s annual meeting will take place in Atlantic City on October, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, no one from the committee can attend. Hopefully, members of DPW will be attending.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 9:10pm by Eric Engel and seconded by Ellen Simonetti.

**The next meeting date will take place on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.**