

Hanover Township Shade Tree Advisory Board

The monthly meeting of the Shade Tree Advisory Board was held on Monday, April 28, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Township office building. In attendance were Blair Bates, Jane Cook, Brenda Happ, Michele Kane, and Marianne Rivera.

1. Marianne called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The minutes of the March 24, 2025, meeting were approved with no changes by voice vote.
2. **Landscape plans from Hanover Engineering:** Blair received none this month.
3. **Arbor Day Update:** This event was on April 26, with activities for kids, tree and plant info for adults, music, refreshments, and other activities. Three Liberty and Freedom High School students assisted with the pinecone bird feeder and coloring for kids' activities. Sarah Ciepin assisted with the Pollinator Hotel activity. Brenda helped with the cupcakes and Shade Tree brochure table, as did Michele. Blair helped Jane with the distribution of the redbud tree saplings to residents, and 50 trees were given away. There was another event also going on in the Community Center, and this actually turned out well since people from that event were interested in the Arbor Day information and activities. Marianne will send photos to the Arbor Day Foundation (ABF) of this event for use on the ABF website. Mark Hudson read the proclamation at the Arbor Day tree commemorative planting site, between the Community Center and the Township building.
4. **Ideas for informational email:** Michele is working on a draft of this document and will be sending it to Marianne and Jane for review.
5. **Community Class** (part 2) will be on May 15 at 6:30 PM with Sue Tantsits from Edge of the Woods. This will be a neighborhood garden walk. Publicity will go out prior to this follow-up class to Sue's "Know Your Backyard" presentation, part one of which was presented last fall in the Community Center.
6. Other Old/New business: none
7. **The next Shade Tree Advisory Board meeting:** The next scheduled meeting will be on Monday, May 19, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Township meeting room. (This date is due to Memorial Day being on the last Monday in May.)
8. The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 PM.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Jane Cook