

Hanover Township Shade Tree Advisory Board

The monthly meeting of the Shade Tree Advisory Board was held on Monday, May 19, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Township office building. In attendance were Marianne Rivera, Jane Cook, and Michele Kane.

1. Marianne called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The minutes of the April 28, 2025, meeting were approved with no changes by voice vote. Suzanne Irvine attended and asked questions about putting native plants in her yard.
2. **Landscape plans from Hanover Engineering:** Blair received none this month.
3. **Committee assignments:** To follow up on building projects as they are completed, Michele will verify the changes in landscaping on the sites to verify that they comply with the landscape plans approved by the Township. Jane will contact Hanover Engineering with any concerns. Jane and Michele will go through all the past plans to recycle sections that are not pertinent to the Shade Tree's review process.
4. **Informational email:** This document is all done, and Marianne will forward it to Mark Hudson.
5. **Educational Walk led by Sue Tantsits from Edge of the Woods:** Very successful evening outdoor meeting, on May 15 at 6:30 PM with 12 participants who learned about the various plantings around the new swimming pool enclosure—the rain garden—and the native plant swale near the maintenance building parking lot. Sue answered questions and gave advice for participants to use in their home gardens.
6. **Removing mulch from Park tree trunks:** To prevent insect and fungal damage to the trees, we will spend part of the June meeting pulling the mulch a couple of inches away from the trunks of the trees in the Township building area and near the Community Center. Jane will ask Marty Limpar to advise the grounds crew workers to avoid adding mulch against the trunks of the trees in the parks.
7. Other Old/New business: none
8. **The next Shade Tree Advisory Board meeting:** The next scheduled meeting will be on Monday, June 30, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Township meeting room.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 PM.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Jane Cook