

HANOVER TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
Monday, April 30, 2012

The monthly meeting of the Shade Tree Advisory Board was held at the Hanover Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, Pa. 18017 at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance were Joan Witiak, Linda Bandala, Susan Scholl and Dan Roman. Also in attendance was Mike Sowers.

1. Upon motion of Susie Scholl, seconded by Linda Bandala, the minutes of the March 26, 2012, meeting was approved.
2. Spring Tree Planting: Schochary Ridge Nursery planted a total of 8 trees in Macada North Park, College Heights Park, and the Greenbriar open space. Mid Hill Nursery will plant 26 trees in the beginning of May.
3. Park Tree Pruning: In the fall when the trees are dormant, we will prune the young trees that were planted in the last few years.
4. Review Bethlehem Business Park Lot 8A: If a waiver is granted eliminating the existing planting strip, the removed trees must be replaced.
5. Discuss Emerald Ash Borer (EAB): Several avenues for educating the Township residents on this deadly invasive insect will be used including the Hanoverview, Township website, and Township Community Days.
6. Old/New Business:

Mr. David Martin of 4618 Lenox St. was present and asked for clarification on replacing two pear trees in the Township right of way. There are numerous utility lines where the trees are currently located. The replacement trees should be moved back, approximately 15 feet from the curb.

The next Hanoverview article should include information on the harmful and illegal practice of topping trees, the necessity of watering new trees, using certified (ISA) arborists, and getting permits to remove/replace street trees.

The Shade Tree Commission will look into having a booth at the next Township Community Days to answer questions about trees and Emerald Ash borer control.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 30, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Witiak for Ann Shanley