

Hanover Township Shade Tree Advisory Board

The monthly meeting of the Shade Tree Advisory Board was held on Monday, August 25, 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 July 28, 2025, meeting were approved with no changes by voice vote.
2. **Landscape plans from Hanover Engineering:** none
3. **Board positions:** This discussion was tabled until the September meeting.
4. **Street Tree Update:** The application that Township residents submit before a street tree is removed needs to be approved by Mark Hudson, as discussed with Marianne and Jane at a meeting they had earlier this month. Concerns have been raised by residents regarding missing street trees in the area of Blair Road, west of Jacksonville Road. Jane will submit an article for the Township's September newsletter to explain the work that we do as the Shade Tree Advisory Board to assist the Zoning Officer in identifying dead or missing street trees and verifying whether they have been replaced. With the large geographical area of the Township, it is a time-consuming task to get to each of the neighborhoods, but we will continue to check the different areas during the late spring through early fall months. During the winter and early spring, the lack of visible growth on the dormant deciduous tree makes the task almost impossible.
5. **Meeting minutes discussion:** Tabled until the September meeting.
6. **Other Old Business:** Erik Josephson has submitted the invoice for the 11 trees he will be planting in October. This date will depend on weather conditions. Marty Limpar and Jane let Erik know that he should reserve five flowering trees and six shade trees for this project. Erik will be notified about the planting locations in the parks and open areas at the end of September.
7. **New Business:** none
8. **The next Shade Tree Advisory Board meeting:** The next scheduled meeting will be on Monday, September 29, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Township meeting room. Depending on the weather, we may take time during the meeting to move the mulch about three inches from around the trunks of the trees near the Township Building.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Jane Cook