

**STRASBURG BOROUGH SHADE TREE COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, March 19, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Brad Botchlet, Chairman  
Dale Kaufman  
Curt Reynolds  
Gil Pratt, Vice Chairman  
Mary Dresser

**Others Present:** Kim Rubincam, Secretary

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Citizens' Comments:** None

**Minutes of November 20, 2025:** A motion was made by Curt Reynolds, seconded by Dale Kaufman, and passed unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of November 20, 2025 as printed.

**Reports:**

**Finance Report** - The 2025 Year-End Finance Report was reviewed, along with the 2026 Finance Report with a beginning balance of \$2,300.00.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:**

**Spring Tree Planting** – There is currently one request for two trees at 235 Julia Avenue. Curt will contact the homeowner to confirm tree selections and locations. Spring Tree Planting was scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup>, with members meeting at the Borough Office at 9 a.m. The rain date will be April 25<sup>th</sup>.

It was also mentioned that some of the trees planted in recent years on East Main Street (26 & 55) have been disturbed by the stormwater project.

**Center Square Planting** – Center Square Planting was scheduled for May 16<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. Gil will order the hanging baskets and Mary will order the annuals from Fisher's Greenhouse.

**Other Business:**

**Marketing** – Program marketing was discussed. The secretary will print flyers we have used in the past and members will hang them up in town to try and generate more applications. The committee will also do another sign campaign in the future.

**Volunteer Opportunity** – Brad brought up the idea of the committee volunteering to help Strasburg Community Park with park clean up needs. He will reach out to Barb, from the park, to discuss the idea.

**Citizen Comments:** None

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Curt Reynolds, seconded by Gil Pratt, and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Rubincam, Secretary