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STRASBURG BOROUGH SHADE TREE COMMITTEE
Thursday, September 17, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.
MINUTES

Members Present:	Brad Botchlet, Chairman	Gil Pratt, Vice Chairman
	Dale Kaufman	Mary Dresser
	Curt Reynolds	
Others Present:	Kim Rubincam, Secretary	

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Citizens' Comments: None

Minutes of July 16, 2026: A motion was made by Curt Reynolds, seconded by Mary Dresser, and passed unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of July 16, 2026 as printed.

Reports:

Finance Report - The 2026 Finance Report was reviewed.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:
Fall Tree Planting Discussion –The fall tree planting date will be Saturday, November 14th at 9:00 a.m. with a rain date of November 21st. All members are to contact their assigned requestees before the October meeting to confirm tree placement and selection.

Center Square Planting Discussion – The members had a lengthy discussion on Center Square planting. They were informed that Council would like shrubs, perennials, and/or annuals in the planting pockets for Center Square beautification and no trees at this time. Some members we adamite that there should be trees in the pockets. Dale Kaufman stated he is going to talk to the business owners at Center Square and get their opinions on what should be planted in the pockets. Mary Dresser will draft a few planting plans to present at the October Tree Committee meeting, at least one of which will include trees. Dale and Gil will plant chrysanthemums at Center Square so there is color for the fall.

Other Business:

Citizen Comments: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Gil Pratt, seconded by Dale Kaufman, and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Rubincam, Secretary