

**The Ocean City Shade Tree Committee
City Hall Council Chambers
861 Asbury Avenue
Ocean City, NJ 08226**

**Meeting Minutes from Wednesday, October 22nd, 2025
9:00 A.M. Meeting**

Meeting Called to Order: 9:04 A.M.

Open Public Meetings Act Announcement: Adequate notice of this meeting has been given pursuant to Public Law 1975: Chapter 231

Roll Call:

Present: Joseph Clark, Marie Crawford, Mary Louise Hayes, J. Michael Lehman, Joshua Linthicum, Donna Moore, Sandra Simpson, Kyle Costello (City Liaison)

Absent: none

Approval of the Minutes: Minutes from September 24th, 2025 were not presented to The Committee.

Public Comment: Joseph Wagner shared concerns of sidewalk pavement upheaval on the 200 block of Asbury Avenue.

Old Business: none

New Business:

- The following property plans were submitted for compliance review and comments by the Committee:
 - 3400-02 West Avenue - Approved - proposed construction of a new mixed-use structure showing 6 trees
 - 4721 Central Avenue - Approved - proposed new single family home with 1 tree shown
 - 845 First Street - No Determination - variance application for new fence with insufficient information
- Marie Crawford will assume the role of Recording Secretary beginning in November.
- No update from Kyle Costello was provided.
- A discussion took place regarding possible planting projects at the Ocean City Primary School's memorial garden, and North Street Park.
- A review of the 100th NJ Shade Tree Federation annual conference took place. Attendees shared information to the rest of The Committee.
- Marie Crawford suggested a future planting site for the 5th Street beach parking lot entrance.

Meeting Adjournment: 10:29 A.M.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 12th, 2025 @ 9:00 A.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Minutes Submitted by J. Michael Lehman, Vice Chairman

(jml 11/10/25)