

## **Wilmington Beautification Committee June 11, 2012**

### **Committee Members Present:**

Lee Schindel, Mary Wright, Len Chapman, Carlotta Gladding, Katy Little, Scott Murphy, Cheryl Rothman, Fred Skwirut, Celia Weissman

### **Committee Members Absent:**

Kit Cincotta, Alice Greenspan

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 am by Lee.

Lee opened the meeting by welcoming new member Cheryl Rothman.

### **Minutes**

Mary moved to accept the minutes of the May 21 meeting. The motion was seconded by Carlotta and passed.

### **Treasurers Report**

Celia reported:

Unexpended Operating Balance: \$1,614.16. Pending expenditures of \$424.99 for winter decorations, replacement plants for RBP and Gateway, and soil for the barrels.

a) The invoice from WW included an undocumented expense of \$39.72. Len will check to see if he omitted submitting a receipt to Celia.

b) We have not received a bill for winter decorations which must be paid by June 30. Celia will follow up with Shelia Osler.

Capital Balance: \$ 3,899.09

a) The cost of repairing the vandalism damage in River Bank Park was paid from the capital fund. Celia will follow up with Scott for an update regarding reimbursement from the insurance company.

### **FEMA Parking Committee Request**

Lee presented the Parking Committee's plan for landscaping the parking lot. The plan includes five river birch trees and ground cover for the berm, a perennial garden next to Pickwells, and three trees on the road side of the parking lot. She reported that the Parking Committee requested that Beautification fund the river birches and assist with the ground cover for the berm. Mary moved that \$1,000 of the operating budget be allocated to the Parking Committee. The motion was seconded by Carlotta and passed. The committee agreed to assist with the planting the ground cover on the berm after the cleanup (scheduled for later this month) and plans for modification to the berm for the foot bridge and drainage are complete. Lee will advise Carolyn Palmer.

### **Summer Flower Program/Landscaping**

Barrels and Planters: The barrels and planters were filled last week, in time for the Vermont Historic Preservation annual meeting. They look great! One barrel needs to be moved from River Bank Park to the parking lot.

South Main Street: Carlotta has been working on the parking lot, it's looking much better. Since the trees were removed, we've discovered flowers and shrubs in the River's Edge.

Gateway Garden: Garden is looking good, Mary is keeping on top of the weeding.

Trebbe: Lee and Mary Ann McLeod planted daylilies which were donated by Mary Ann. Katy weeded the bed and trimmed the shrubs.

River Bank Park: Lee reported that she will apply Roundup and mulch to control the weeds.

### **Town Manager Update**

Scott reported that the Vermont Historic Preservation meeting went very well. He was able to discuss the damage to the foundation of the Cady building and the Village Pub with representatives of several state agencies who were in town for the meeting.

Scott advised that trash barrels have been installed at Buzzy Towne Park and at the tennis courts. He is working on getting barrels for other locations in the town. He will follow up with the state regarding debris in the river, including an oil boom near RBP and brush near several of the culverts and bridges. He advised that there will be changes to the intersection of Rayhill Road and West Main Street due reconstruction of Dot's. Cheryl noted that the Chamber will be maintaining the kiosk on Rt 9 West and is interested in landscaping the area. Scott will try to find who owns the land where the kiosk is located.

### **Walkway at River's Edge**

Mary reported that she met with Joseph Cincotta informally to find out if he is working on plans for a walkway at River's Edge. Joseph advised that he is working with Todd Gareis to improve access to the apartment in his building. Plans are far from finalized. Mary requested that he keep the Beautification Committee updated.

### **Next Meeting**

Monday June 26, at 8:00 am

Location: Library

### **Agenda**

Treasurers Report

Summer Flower Program/Landscape: Gateway Garden, River Bank Park, Trebbe, River's Edge, South Main Parking Lot

Landscaping at the Welcome Kiosk

FEMA Parking Committee Report

Town Manager Update

There being no further business, Len moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Mary and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Celia Weissman  
Secretary