

Wilmington Beautification Committee March 13, 2017

Committee Members Present: Cheryl Rothman, Fred Skwirut, Keith Herbert, Chris Medina, Lee Schindel (phone), Scott Murphy (ex-officio)

Committee Members Absent: Katy Little, Alice Greenspan, Adele Mattern

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Cheryl

Re-Organization

Chairperson: Cheryl Rothman

Fred nominated Cheryl for Chair and Keith second. Vote: All in favor.

Vice Chair: Fred Skwirut

Keith nominated Fred for Vice Chair and Cheryl second. Vote: All in favor

Secretary and Treasurer: Chris Medina

Cheryl nominated Chris for Secretary/ Treasurer and Keith second. Vote: All in favor

Approval of Minutes

Meeting: November 14, 2016 Motion: Fred, Second: Keith – passed.

Treasurers Report

Not available

Decorations

Lights and berries to be removed and properly stored. Keith attempted but was unable to locate boxes for proper storage. In meantime, lights on Reardon bridge to be unplugged until removed.

Landscape Committee and Flower Barrels

Barrels:

Mary Pike-Sprenger has been awarded contract for downtown barrels (town budget funding) and Janet Boyd was awarded contract for RT-100N barrels (1% funding).

Potential for changing RFP to include a multi-year contract starting 2018. Will require winning bidder to get approval from Select board.

Potential on changing the downtown flower barrel program from general fund to 1%. Will allow consolidation of both barrel programs under same funding option rather than trying to increase general fund for downtown program.

Plan to cluster barrels on RT-100N for better visual appeal; Gretchen concerned on taking single barrels away from business owners to accomplish this- Cheryl to follow up with Gretchen.

Gardens:

Lee mentioned next steps for garden clean up (early May)- to include but not limited to: cut back grasses, deadhead hydrangeas, weed control.

Community Garden

Scott reported April timeframe to renew lease with Mount Snow.

Items needed include wood chips and fertilizer. Have offer on fertilizer in Whitingham but need a way to transport- Chris and Hermitage may be able to assist. Fred will follow up with Bill Hunt regarding wood chips from Asplundh.

Town Manager Update

Reardon Bridge:

Scott reported town has design and estimate on metal ramp. Monday 3/20, this application will be back up for review at DRB

Sidewalks:

Time line for West Main Street sidewalks is April 15th start with non-flexible end date of June 30th.

Cheryl to follow up with Mary on West Main Street flower barrels for possible relocation or delay until July 1st during construction.

Next Meeting

Monday, March 27, 2017 Location: Town Hall

Adjourn

Motion: Cheryl, Second: Keith- Meeting adjourned at 10:43 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Medina
Secretary