

TOWN of SHELBURNE TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of May 11, 2016

Members Present: Ann Milovsoroff, Gail Henderson-King, Tod Warner, Dave Hall, Jan Gannon

1. **Meeting Call to Order** – Gail Henderson-King called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.
2. **Review Agenda** - The agenda was amended to add discussion of the Dog Park.
3. **Consider approval of minutes from April 13, 2016** – Dave Hall made a motion to approve the minutes, Tod Warner seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Citizen Participation** -No participation this week.
5. **Shelburne Beach** – Working Session Discussion and recommendations for Tree Planting locations and species.
 - Soil types at the beach- different varieties of clay- Covington silty clay, Vergennes Clay.
 - Back to the Beach night- Tuesday, June 14. If we receive the grant, we would like to plant the trees during the event. The top priority is to remove the 3 trees near the playground due to liabilities and hazards.
 - Our committee is planning to make recommendations for smart planting and ongoing maintenance.
6. **Shelburne Memorial Tree Fund** – Discussion on implementation and species recommendations
 - Gail received an email from a mother of CVU student about a planting memorial tree in the honor of the CVU tennis coach. Gail had to explain the reason for the high cost of the tree, that it includes the purchase cost, installation, care, maintenance and warrantee.
 - Gail to follow up with Joe Colangelo as to the process for submitting a memorial tree application and the steps needed to get it approved and planted.
 - The committee needs to develop a site specific planting list with recommendations for locations and trees.
 - We should consider posting the memorial tree fund application on our web site.
 - As Tree Warden, Dave will contact Joe Colangelo and will contact GMP.
7. **Shelburne Farmers Market Booth** – Organization for attending first 2 Saturdays
 - We will be there May 28, June 4 and August 20.

- Jan to design a box for donations.
- Dave will bring a table and chairs.
- Gail will bring a banner.
- Jan to bring little pots with plants as decorations.
- We will also display an aerial site map of different locations for memorial trees and advertise for committee members.

Schedule

May 28-

8:30-11- Dave/Ann

11-1 – Jan, Tod, and Gail

June 4-

8:30-11- Dave/Ann

11-1 – Jan, Tod, and Gail

8. Dog Park

Dave Hall attended the Dog Park committee as Tree Warden. In the past, the Dog Warden has helped the committee select trees to take down and plant. They mentioned the Town has \$2,500 budgeted removal of trees in the dog park. The Highway Department has about \$5,000 for removal of hazardous trees. The Rec Committee has about \$1,000 for tree removal. Gail to follow-up with Joe Colangelo about a budget for our committee and money for maintenance and tree plantings.

The Dog Park Committee would like the Dog Park added to the Memorial Tree Application location list.

9. Other business

- Tod spoke to the Rotary. They are need of speakers. Lara Keenan is the coordinator of speakers. Meetings are weekly. Tod to follow-up with Lara Keenan about the date and time of the meetings and ask if we could present.
- Veterans Memorial- No more pruning of the Spruces. There is Maple Tree near the memorial that appears to be dead. Could it be pruned and saved? The committee will look at this tree during the Farmer's Market. If we take it down, does the Veteran's Memorial Committee have money to replace it?
- Dave will bring up the issue of the installation of a water line on the Town Green without consideration for the location of existing trees to Joe Colangelo.
- Dave asked if our next meeting could be moved to Tuesday, June 7 instead. Gail to follow-up on this.

- 10. Adjourn** – the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 by Gail Henderson-King.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Gannon
Secretary, Shelburne Tree Advisory Committee

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