

Minutes from March 4, 2024
Beautification Committee

Present: Karin Giannitti, Ellen Crown, Ryan Gussen, Jim Jamieson, Marylou Jamieson, Claudia Hahn

Claudia welcomed our new member, Marylou Jamieson! Marylou told us a little about her 42 years in Weston and we are pleased to have her on board.

Jim made a motion to approve the Minutes from January 18, 2024, Marylou seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

Claudia went over an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to the Weston Historic Commission for a welcome sign to the new Native Gardens on Town Green, plant signs, and a donor plaque on Town Hall. The HDC meeting will be on Wednesday, March 6 at 8pm. It is a public meeting.

The Sustainable CT Grant through a crowd-funding platform, Patronicity, is being launched today for the Native Gardens on Town Green. The budget is \$8400, which includes ongoing plant replacement, steppingstone paths, and labor. Sustainable CT will match donations up to \$4200. Campaign ends April 4, 2024 at 11pm.

We had quite a few responses to our “ask” for a boulder for the Veterans Memorial Dedication Marker. A property manager from GlenGate offered for us to pick out a boulder from their stockpile in Wilton and they would deliver it pro bono. Nancy Thiel and Claudia have been to the yard twice to see boulders. We realize we need the stone cutter to help choose one.

The Landscape maintenance contract RFP is ready to go out to bid. Larry Roberts will be issuing it soon.

Larry has approved “Natural Settings” to start planting and refreshing the town planters seasonally (4 times/year). This will be funded from Greyledge account.

Spring planting will be done by whomever the new Landscape company is.

Claudia made a request for nominations for new Chairs to co-chair with her until she steps away in June. Karin made a motion for Jim and Marylou to co-chair, Ellen seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Next meeting is April 4, 2024 on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudia Hahn