

MINUTES
Weston Beautification Committee
January 8, 2020, 1:30pm Town Hall Meeting Room

Attendance: Karin Gianitti, Claudia Hahn, Nancy Thiel, Ryan Gussen on phone.
Also Anne Hunt, Library Chair

Approval of Minutes from October, November and December 2019

Holiday Décor –

A review of Town holiday decor was made. Wreaths and bows cost about \$500. The tree for the Gazebo was another \$75. We are going to save the bows for next year and consider an artificial tree. We will need to check on storage space for an artificial tree and look for sales at Halloween.

All existing Committee members will continue on the Committee for the upcoming year. Members should help search for a replacement for Lyette Segerdahl.

Town Green -

Jim Jamieson has agreed to be the Project Manager, gratis. He and Nancy have met to discuss budget and plan. They realized that the new 911 Memorial Garden was not included in the original budget Plan, so it will be included going forward. Jim is preparing an RFP for the project.

Claudia and Nancy met with Jonathan Luiz and Chris Spaulding and were directed to keep the maintenance costs at no increase. Therefore, the meadow of the Town Green will be phased in, with fundraising as needed to offset costs. New budget should be ready by the end of January. Bids are going out to three landscapers for maintenance costs.

Nancy is working on new lamp posts with manufacturers and the Town. The lamp posts that were originally selected will not support the size signs that are needed. New street signs will be installed on Norfield Rd in the spring.

Anne Hunt will discuss the old historic sign for the Library with the Library Board. It is beginning to rot and maybe should be moved indoors.

Claudia will contact The Offutt Trust to ask if the Trust could redo their letter of intent. We would like the letter to reflect their matching grant to be UP to \$250,000, with the possibility of phasing in matching funding as other private funds are raised.

Karin Gianitti and Samantha Kulish, from the Historical Society, will check on names from Revolutionary and Civil Wars to be placed included on the Memorial.

Boulders need to be found for new Memorial. Lou Ten has some stock piled and we could also have a town-wide search.

Greyledge –

Nancy, Claudia, Jonathan and William Lomas were on a conference call with TD Bank Wealth Management to discuss the status of the Greyledge Account. TD Bank was directed to reduce the fees and find new ways to invest the funds in order for the Fund to last in perpetuity. The next call is scheduled for January 22, 2020.

Next meeting is February 5, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudia Hahn, Co-Chair