

**Guilford
Town Green Committee
Town Hall
November 20, 2019
3:30 pm
Selectmen's Meeting Room, Second Floor**

Present : Chair Jerry Silbert, Katherine Frydenborg, Tom Pinchbeck, John Cunningham,
Fran Swietlicki, Grace Zimmer, Vivian Thain (3:33)
Absent : Pat Todd, Eric Lawton
Town Officials: Rick Maynard, Parks and Recreation Director (3:33)
Kevin Magee, Environmental Planner/Tree Warden
Guest : None

1. Call to Order At 3:30 pm, Chair Jerry Silbert called the regular meeting to order with a quorum.

2. Approve Agenda

Motion: Katherine Frydenborg moved to accept the Agenda as presented, seconded by Tom Pinchbeck.
*Vote: Carried - Fran Swietlicki, Katherine Frydenborg, Tom Pinchbeck, John Cunningham
Grace Zimmer.*

3. Public Forum There were no citizens present.

4. Approval of August 2019 Minutes

Upon review,
Motion: John Cunningham moved to approve the August 21, 2019 minutes, seconded by Tom Pinchbeck.
Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Upon review,
Motion: John Cunningham moved to approval the August 28, 2019 minutes, seconded by Grace Zimmer.
Vote: Carried - Unanimously

5. Bills and Correspondence

Chair Jerry Silbert reported that he had received an email from Parks and Recreation Forman Tony Annicelli regarding turf care. Leaves are being removed and seed will be planted before snowfall.
(Vivian Thain and P&R Dir. arrived)

Motion: John Cunningham moved to approve the Recording Secretary invoice for \$105 for August 21 and August 28 meetings, seconded by Fran Swietlicki.
Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Old Business

6. Update on the plaque for the well on The Green across from St. George Church

Chair Jerry Silbert reported that the fire well millstone must be prepared in warmer weather before the history plaque can be installed by Public Works. Members will review a draft of the wording.

7. Should private, by invitation only, events be allowed on The Green ?

Discussion reviewed 2020 projects :

- Crabgrass at the northwest corner is an issue. P&R Dir. Rick Maynard will review with Forman Annicelli and report to Chair Silbert.
- Reviewed the fee schedule to use The Green. Public can access information on the Town website and at the First Selectman's Office.
- Dir. Maynard recommended that GGC monitor the permitted A-frame signs at the north end of The Green. Some out of town boards and non conforming sign sizes are being placed. Regulations only allow Guilford events to be advertised and a green sticker permit be applied to the board. Chair Silbert will contact the Selectman's Office.
- Dir. Maynard reported that the American Legion Post 48 will hold its' dedication and placing of their 100th Anniversary plaque at the First World War monument, on Veteran's Day.
- Chair Jerry Silbert reported that he had met with First Selectman Matt Hoey regarding GGC policy not to permit private invitation events on The Green.

8. Parks and Recreation (P&R) Report - Dir. Rick Maynard

Dir. Rick Maynard reported :

- "Big Belly" trash containers, with a solar powered trash compacter (funded by local merchants), may be temporarily placed for trial use on a Green sidewalk or a storefront sidewalk. This is a two container unit, with a non-solar recycler, that has a computer program to alert P&R crew when it is full. Madison has three units.
- P& R new truck is being used for trash removal and at all Town Parks and fields.

9. Tree Warden Report

Town Tree Warden and Environmental Planner, Kevin Magee, reported :

- His department is conducting fall planting.
- Guilford Tree Advisory Board is replacing three Ash trees on The Green that were killed by the Ash Borer beetle disease. The Guilford Garden Club has donated disease resistant Pink Horse Chestnut, Red maple and London Plain (Sycamore hybrid).
- Kevin continues treating Ash trees by injection, two times a year to prevent dying from the Ash Borer. The annual cost is \$2,000.

10. New Business There was no new business.

11. Adjourn

Motion: *At 3:55 pm, John Cunningham moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Fran Swietlicki.*

Vote: *Carried - Unanimously*

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Anderson Castellano, Recording Secretary