

**Guilford  
Town Green Committee  
Town Hall  
October 21, 2015,  
3:30 pm  
Selectmen's Meeting Room, Second Floor**

**Present :** Chair Jerry Silbert, Colin MacKenzie, Vivian Thain, Catherine Kiernan, Tom Pinchbeck, Fran Swietlicki

**Town Officials :** Rick Maynard, Director, Parks and Recreation  
Kevin Magee, Tree Warden / Environmental Planner

**Absent :** Annis Homer, John Cunningham, Ann Erda

**Guests :** None

**Call to Order** At 3:34 pm, Chair Jerry Silbert called the regular meeting to order.

**Approve Agenda**

Upon review,

*Motion:* Tom Pinchbeck moved to accept the agenda as presented, seconded by Colin MacKenzie.

*Vote:* Carried - Thain, MacKenzie, Pinchbeck, Swietlicki, Kiernan

**Approval of August and September Minutes**

Due to a lack of quorum who were present at the August and September meetings, the minutes will be approved at the October regular meeting.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Catherine Kiernan reported :

- Current Net Balance : \$5,172.25
- Total Account Balance : \$43,863 / of which \$10,000 will be withdrawn toward construction of the new north end sidewalk.

**Public Forum** There was no discussion.

**Parks and Recreation - Director Rick Maynard**

Dir. Maynard reported that there are two non-compliance advertising signs on The Green. Each month the BOS should provide GGC with the list of approved signs. Each sign must have an approval sticker. Rick and nother GGC members will continue to observe signs and report.

Some Parks and Recreation (P&R) projects :

- Top Dresser equipment is need of repair.
- Leaf removal.
- Aeration will be done, especially in compacted soil areas such as the south end near Page Hardware.
- Christmas Tree Lighting : December 4<sup>th</sup>. Bartlett Tree Service will install the lights to be donated by The Guilford/Branford Chamber of Commerce. Solar powered lights may be used.
- Shaded areas are toxic to grass and preventing growth.

**Tree Warden Report- Kevin Magee**

Tree Warden/Environmental Planner Kevin Magee reported :

- Two new part time Land Stewards have been assisting with watering on The Green and will plant two trees in the spring. One tree is dying on the north end.
- The canopy of the large Beech tree on the south end will be raised in order to see the bench underneath. Trimming will be done in the spring.

**Updates on Fees and Green Test**

Discussion took place on ways to raise funds. Fees for events and approved sandwich board signs should be provided to GGC and included in the total annual budget. There are agencies, businesses, nonprofits and residents who may be willing to donate. Further discussion will take place at the November meeting.

**Correspondence**            There was no correspondence.

**Old Business**              There was no further business.

**New Business**

Members reviewed the GGC meeting calendar with discussion on the need to meet to review sign applications, consider events to be held, and BOS issues that may need review. Vehicles on The Green continue to be a concern as they can cause irreparable damage over the summer months.

Chair Silbert will contact the Selectmen's Office regarding events, advertising signs and other planned activities on The Green.

Dir. Maynard advised that the annual trunk or treat Spooktacular, in conjunction among P&R, Guilford Youth and Family Services, D.A.Y. Coalition, and Police Dept., is expected to attract 500 to 600 people along Part Street, Sunday October 25.

Fran Swietlicki advised that the Guilford Keeping Society will host a Halloween Tour fundraiser in 2016.

It was noted that a Town permit is required for events over 40 participants.

**Adjournment**

*Motion:                    At 4:14 pm, Tom Pinchbeck moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Fran Swietlicki.*

*Vote:                        Carried - Unanimously*

Respectfully submitted,

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*Judith Anderson Castellano,  
Recording Secretary*

The next meeting will be November 18 at 3:30 pm.