

**Guilford
Town Green Committee
Town Hall
July 15, 2015
3:30 pm
Selectmen's Meeting Room,
Second Floor**

Present : Chair Stephen Page, Ann Erda, Jerry Silbert, Colin MacKenzie, Vivian Thain, John Cunningham
Town Officials : Kevin Magee, Tree Warden / Environmental Planner
Absent : Catherine Kiernan, Rob Leete, Annis Homer
Rick Maynard, Director, Parks and Recreation
Guests : None

Call to Order At 3:35 pm, Chair Stephen Page called the regular meeting to order.

Approve Agenda

Upon review,

Motion: Ann Erda moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Jerry Silbert.

Vote: Carried - Silbert, MacKenzie, Thain, Erda, Cunningham

Approval of June Minutes

Upon review,

Motion: Ann Erda moved to approve the June minute, adding 'John Cunningham' to those present, seconded by Jerry Silbert.

Vote: Carried - Silbert, MacKenzie, Thain, Erda, Cunningham

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Catherine Kiernan was unable to be present yet had emailed a report to members. The current financial status remains solvent.

Motion: Jerry Silbert moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by John Cunningham.

Vote: Carried - Silbert, MacKenzie, Thain, Erda, Cunningham

Public Forum There was no discussion.

Parks and Recreation - Director Rick Maynard Dir. Maynard was unable to attend to report.

Tree Warden Report

Tree Warden Kevin Magee reported on several activities, including yet not limited to :

- Four trees had been planted in April, which resulted from tree loss during Hurricane Sandy. One had been donated and planted on Arbor Day by Bartlett Tree Service. The Guilford Garden Club had donated an Elm and Oak and a Maple had been donated by a local resident in memory of a family member.

Discussion resulted in Chair Page will send a letter of appreciation to all the donors.

- Planned plantings have been completed, dead limbs and low branches have been removed for safety.
- Diseased and hazardous trees will also be removed.

Request to use The Green Update and Fees Discussion

Review was tabled to the August meeting.

Update on East / West Sidewalk

Chair Stephen Page reported :

- Installation of the East/West Sidewalk may take place after the Handcraft Expo.
- The 375th Anniversary Committee \$10,000 grant was provided with the stipulation that the GGC install an engraved plaque, of pink Stony Creek granite, on the concrete sidewalk. A dedication, photos and news article will be done upon completion of the project. GGC paid for the engraving of two granite plaques. The granite may be donated by the Stony Creek Quarry.

Discussion reviewed the details of placing and curbing the sidewalk to avoid trees, poles and match existing sidewalks.

Chair Page will email member with dates to review the north end of The Green.

Old Business

Discussion reviewed the posting of sandwich board signs at the north end. A \$50 deposit fee is now required, with a \$25 refund to nonprofits who apply and are approved.

New Business

Chair Page advised that he had received an email from member Rob Leete that he will resign due to health issues. A letter will be sent to Rob with regret for his illness and in appreciation for his service to the GGC. A letter will also be sent to the Guilford Keeping Society requesting that another person be assigned to the GGC.

Resolution by Jerry Silbert,

Be it resolved, that the letter of resignation received from Rob Leete will be accepted with regret and that a letter of appreciation for his service to the Town Green Committee will be sent to him, seconded by Colin MacKenzie.

The next meeting will be August 19 at 3:30 pm.

Adjournment

Motion: At 4:50 pm, Jerry Silbert moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ann Erda.

Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

*Judith Anderson Castellano
Recording Secretary*