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April 16, 2015

South Grafton Community House, 27 Main Street, South Grafton

A meeting of the Mill Villages Advisory Committee was held on April 16, 2015 at the South Grafton Community House.

Present from the Committee: Philip Gauthier, Chairman; Andrew Kjellberg, Clerk; and Members Ruth Anderson and Ann Morgan.

Chairman Gauthier called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

1. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Change of Regular Meeting Date – Mr. Nault has not been able to attend meetings due to a change of his business schedule and other commitments. He asked if the Committee would reconsider meeting on a different day other than Thursday. It was noted no one else on the Committee had a conflict with the current schedule. Mr. Gauthier agreed to contact Mr. Nault to discuss his future on the Committee since his is unable to attend.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Events / Concerts – Ms. Morgan noted that the Blackstone Valley Community Concert Band has confirmed that they will perform on Saturday, June 13, 2015 for the annual Flag Day celebration. Mr. Kjellberg stated that the Knights of Columbus are interested in sponsoring the band and needed to know the cost. Ms. Morgan said that she would get that information to him. Mr. Gauthier stated that he would coordinate with the VFW regarding a color guard.

Ms. Morgan noted that she had confirmed a date with Bob Jordan for his band to perform – August 29th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. The Park has been reserved and other work items are underway. The Blackstone Valley Bluegrass Band is not available for perform on any of the dates that the Committee was interested in. They start scheduling in January.

- B. Replacement of Flags – The Town flag has shredded beyond repair and needs replacing. Mr. Gauthier noted that he would contact Phil Johnson of the Parks & Cemeteries Department to see who he uses as a vendor for replacing flags displayed around Town. The flag needs to be 6 ‘ by 10’. Mr. Gauthier suggested that the Committee pay for 2 flags.
- C. Final Landscaping – Nick Bernat provided information as to why the trees in the park keep dying. The general contractor for the Park construction had installed them. He did not remove the burlap or wire cages around the root balls before planting which is now causing them to die. Three trees need to be replaced and some need to be straightened out. It was also noted that beavers had

caused damage to other trees and that a solution was required. The Committee asked Ms. Morgan to invite Mr. Bernat to the May meeting to discuss the situation.

3 **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Brick Program – no new information. Tabled to next meeting.
- B. Main Street Bridge Lights – Mr. Gauthier noted that he was told that the lights have been installed and the final work items are getting done. The lights are scheduled to be turned on Friday, April 17th.
- C. Park Entrance Sign – Mr. Gauthier spoke with the vendor who tells him that the new sign is almost done. Mr. Gauthier will continue to follow up.
- D. Boat Ramp – Mr. Gauthier stated that he would like to continue to pursue the development of the boat ramp at the Park as originally designed. He stated that he would contact George Peterson to see what could be done.

4 **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Kjellberg. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

EXHIBITS

None.