

Approved SCC Minutes 5/11/21
450 Frank Lord Rd.
5:15 pm

Cynthia Thornton, Weezie Duda, Pam Darrow, Chris Clarke, Peter Grace, Grace Brigham, Carrie Clancy, Connie Youngstrom, Andy Richards-Peele

1- Approve previous Minutes
minutes approved, Chris moved, Grace seconded

2- Financial Update –
SCC members should use a tax exempt form for purchases.
SCC is part of the Town of Shrewsbury
Total remaining \$826.18

We reviewed expenditures for Green Up, SCC banner. We received a cash donation

The Chairperson can authorize an SCC member to spend \$100.00 if this expense (or item) has been discussed at a previous meeting? Cynthia moved, Peter seconded. All voted in favor.

3- Jeffords Tree for Town Office
Mountain Ash, *Ivan's Beauty* \$75 to \$250 (7 footer) depending on the size of the tree - Elmore Roots Nursery. Connie will continue to investigate other nurseries. Should we consider a shadberry tree? We could dig one up locally.

4-Green up –
A great success! The weather was not lovely...Connie reviewed the participant numbers, roads covered (56 miles of Town maintained road). Rte 103 still has a trashy section. Some SCC members picked up trash along Cold River Rd. this week.

Next year:

Will Select Board give us longer to get full bags to the Transfer Station?

To get kids involved:

Poster contest?

We need to work with SMS much sooner prior to Green Up. Carrie is willing to contact the PTO etc. We discussed what we had done in the past. (i.e. Snow Play Day). Carrie will find out what the 4 Winds theme will be.

5- Invasive Plans for 2021

SCC will concentrate on previously targeted areas.

-We are adding knotweed this year. Andy and Pam will start this week at the Eastham Rd. bridge near Pierce's Store

-Pam has an invasive plant map that she is starting to formulate.

-Pam would like weekly group work sessions.

-Pam would like to create an online information sheet to share with volunteers. This may be put on the Town website. Weezie and Pam will contact the Town administrator about this.

Weezie read the 2019 invasives planning bullet points as a point of reference to how we are doing currently. We are adding a knotweed removal strategy to this list.

Andy will use a weed whacker to cut knotweed- very frequently- for several years.

Cynthia will write a thank you note to Gretchen Gould and Davis Terrell for donating the weed whacker

Weezie has talked to a local landowner about getting his ok to weed whack his purple loosestrife

6- Wildlife Crossings –

Weezie read the Tiny Grant Application that Pam wrote. We don't yet know if we received this. Linda Shelvey wants to get together with some of us to look at maps and decide on where to monitor in the fall.

Should we meet at the Town Hall on a Tuesday late afternoon? Yes. Weezie will contact Linda and email us a date

7- Gaynor Road Update-

We reviewed the history of this area. Weezie reviewed the statement that she read at the May 5 Select Board meeting. The various entities have some common interests. There is not currently a resolution or oversight.

8- Crown Point Road Power Lines

GMP apparently has plans for this area but has not shared plans with the Select Board. Weezie has contacted GMP about this and also a Select Board member. Some trees have been taken down and the area flagged.

Weezie shared a letter that she wants to send to the Select Board and Road Commissioner. Should we send this letter after the Planning Commission has a chance to review it? Andy moved to send the letter, Grace seconded. All approved.

Meeting adjourned: 7:11

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 8 at 5:15 at 450 Frank Lord Rd.