

WOLFEBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE

BRADLEY ROOM

Thursday, April 21, 2022

In attendance were Amanda King, Cynthia Scott, Joyce Davis, Dave Ford, Kathy Barnard, Susan Poirier, Linda Wilberton, Stephen Farley and Nancy Bell.

Linda Wilberton opened the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

It was suggested that a full-size set of drawings be obtained from the Planning Department as the documents printed from email were very difficult to review.

Approval of Minutes from December 10 tabled until the next meeting.

New Business

Election of officers:

Linda Wilberton was nominated as Chairperson by Susan Poirier, seconded by Stephen Farley. All voted in favor.

Stephen Farley was nominated as Assistant Chairperson by Nancy Bell, seconded by Susan Poirier. All voted in favor.

Nancy Bell was nominated as secretary by Linda Wilberton, seconded by Stephen Farley. All voted in favor.

Review and discuss final landscaping design from Horsley-Witten

Dave Ford provided an overview of the design. He asked about irrigation and the committee stated that plan included species that would be self-sustaining after three years in order to eliminate the need for an irrigation system. Hose watering should be sufficient. All plants should be preinspected prior to planting to ensure health. This will be done by the landscape company selected. There will also be a maintenance contract with the installer for at least one year.

Discuss funds raised and fundraising goal timeline

A discussion was held about the planned timetable for the bid process and if the library was financially ready to proceed. The feasibility for finance for Phase I is complete and the recommendation to start the bid process was advised. Dave will talk with local contractors. The town will also be able to assist in certain areas of site work.

The town will be able to handle the construction of the entrance changes except for costs which will come out of the allocated library funds.

The visibility of the Library near the entrance to town would be a good advertisement opportunity for Landscapers to use to their advantage with the placement of signage while the work is in progress.

Discuss Goals achieved and those that need implementation

It was agreed that Phase 1 implementation will begin as soon as possible. Phases 2 and 3 will be held until Phase 1 is complete.

A meeting with the Planning Director to discuss plans for the wetlands and the need for a special use permit was discussed.

Dave Ford will speak with Horsley-Witten about the drainage issue still problematic in the parking lot.

Discuss possible Lilac Donation

Tabled until next meeting.

Discuss Arbor Day Library program and tree presentation

The Town of Wolfeboro would like to include the Wolfeboro Public Library as part of their Arbor Day Celebration with the donation of a tree. The committee was pleased with this request. The possibility of a Red Maple was discussed to be placed along South Main Street before the parking lot entrance.

Upcoming Meeting

Landscape Committee Meeting – May 19, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bell

Trustee Secretary

Minutes are unapproved until voted on by the Landscaping Committee