## Beautification Committee Meeting April 20, 2021

## Present: Heather Schoff, Rick Miller, Jason Seymour, Kat Seymour, Adam Mueller, Tatiana Hernandez, Judy Wilkins

Officers for the coming year include Heather Schoff as chairperson, Rick Miller as vice chairperson, Jason Seymour as treasurer, and Judy Wilkins as secretary.

New committee members include Tatiana Hernandez, a National Honor Society member who has volunteered to work with us, and Marie Peasha, who is unable to attend this meeting.

Jason reviewed the treasurer's reports. He has arranged credits for purchases at Amazing Flower Farm and Mason Brook Nursery. We will be given cards that identify us as committee members, so plant costs can be applied to nursery accounts. Should we need reimbursement for plants purchased elsewhere, please scan receipts or mail them to Jason as soon as possible after purchase. Initial funding support will be \$53 per plot.

Mulch to be spread on the gardens will be ordered from Mason Brook Nursery for \$416. We will pick it up for spreading on the morning of May 15. Tatiana will contact National Honor Society members to inquire about their volunteering to help spread the mulch. Parents of those under age 18 will sign waivers. We will contact Tara to confirm the correct protocol for their involvement.

The flower boxes at the police station may need replacement. Jason will examine them. We will contact Maggie to determine her continuing planting of those boxes. The bridge boxes also must be planted.

Jason will speak with Greenville resident Christine Johnson, who works at Amazing Flower Farm, regarding potential support.

Two memorial plaques are to be placed at ground sites before Memorial Day by Jason and Rick.

Winter banners, including a fallen banner returned to Town Hall, will be stored by Highway Dept. personnel. We will consider purchase of 5 same-sized banners for other than winter/Christmas hanging.

Also, we will consider banners for a 150th town anniversary celebration. We would like to have these in place the year before the anniversary date. Rick will speak with the Select Board tomorrow regarding this situation.

Spring garden clean-up is in progress. Debris can be left at the curb . However,

the Highway Dept. should be contacted a few day before leaving debris, so that timely pickup can be arranged.

Deb Walsh's plot responsibilities at the Dunster Ave./Temple St. intersection will be assumed by Tatiana. The post office planter tub would be cared for by Heather.

We will examine the bricks at the tree site across from the library, and contact Tara about needed repair.

Rick reminded us of our consideration as a project the identification and support of town/area hiking trails. Marshall Buttrick is a resource whom Rick will contact for trail locations, as well as conservation and historical significance . We will work on clearing and marking them as necessary. Community volunteers will be welcome. Rick will put an article in the paper publicizing this opportunity. Also, Heather will use Instagram to publicize the project. The police department will be contacted to give notice of this as a community service opportunity for eligible individuals.

We hope to accomplish these goals by June, if possible.

We shall consider in the fall a money-raising opportunity for the spring. A raffle event is one consideration, among other options.

Deb Spratt will show us a suggested Committee sign that includes a contact telephone number, to publicize our presence, and welcome others to join us.

July 3 celebration plans by the town are not known at present. Jason will keep us aware of any project he has planned. Pots and Pans tee shirts remain available to be sold. Our committee does not at present have a money-raising plan for that occasion.

Old Home Days costuming was briefly discussed, and future consideration planned.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next meeting will be held on May 18 at 6:30 pm. We will consider zoom versus an in-person meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Wilkins, Secretary