

Town of Londonderry
Beautification Committee
Meeting Minutes July 21, 2016

Present: Committee members Berthe Cowles, Paul Gordon, John and Caroline Jopling, Joel Kuhlberg and Martha Dale.

The minutes of the June 23, 2016 meeting were approved by the members.

Treasurer's Report Helen had submitted a report with a notation that thus far this year \$1,492.30 had been expended. A bill from Glebe Gardens for the flower boxes is expected to be \$1,250.

The triangle continues to look great. Helen is weeding it weekly and it shows! The committee noted that the one consideration is for the long term is whether some of the taller plants need to be relocated.

Flags Joel reported that the flags are being maintained by Rotary members – unfurling the flags that tangle on their poles is a constant problem.

Bridge flower boxes that are not placed on the bridges are available to be installed on the painted wall. Bob Cowles is working out a rigging system to install them on the wall.

Town entrance signs. Paul has ordered the reflective material for the signs and has chosen a color for the paint on the signs. John and Joel offered assistance for the repainting project. A new sign for the east side of Rt 11 coming into town has been created by Paul, noting the location of picnic tables at Williams Park. Everyone thought the sign would be a great help for those looking for a place to pull over and enjoy our town.

John Joplin has not heard back from Marc Pickering at VTrans regarding the placement of flower boxes on the **painted wall** in Londonderry and new planter barrels in the pull out areas along the mill pond on the east side of town along Rt 11. John's message was to provide an update on these plans – the Committee felt that we had complied with VTrans's requirement of notification. Garrison Buxton, the original wall painter, has apparently done some touch-ups to the painting. Garrison has indicated that he is willing to refresh the painting next year.

Committee members picked a date to harvest lupine seeds from the hillside along the start of Hells Peak Road for planting on the hillside opposite Clark's IGA. It will be important that the Committee notify the town road crew to not mow either spot until late in the season. It was not decided who would notify the crew.

The next regular meeting of the Beautification Committee will be **August 15th at 11am** at the Town Office Building. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Dale