

Minutes of the March 14, 2016 Meeting
Of
Parks and Green Spaces Committee
Chevy Chase Village Hall

PRESENT: Susan Dixon, Judy Elliott, Jorie Jurgens, Susan Kilborn, Margo Kingston, Mildred Nance, (Board Liaison: Elissa Leonard) Next Meeting: May 3, 2016 4:00 pm

The meeting held at the Village Hall began at 4:00 pm on March 14, 2016. New members of the Committee Susan Dixon, Jorie Jurgens and Mildred Nance were welcomed. As well, Judy Elliott, Co-Chair of the committee, announced her resignation due to her upcoming marriage and move to Cheyenne, Wyoming. We thanked her for all of her hard work on the committee in the past and wished her well and hoped that she would visit us in the future.

Margo Kingston gave a report about Montgomery County's Weed Warrior Program. Training is on the 4th Wednesday of the Month from 3:30 to 5:30 pm in various parks. The schedule will be announced by the beginning of April. There are two steps to train to become a Weed Warrior: a computer class that can be taken at home and a two hour training in the field. Five members of the Committee indicated interest in taking the training to become a Weed Warrior: Susan Dixon, Jorie Jurgens, Susan Kilborn, Margo Kingston and Mildred Nance.

The map and list of plantings for Lower Oliver/Belmont Streets and letter given to residents living nearby were distributed to members of the Committee. (Please see attachments.) It was decided that since the Southern Wax myrtle is considered a shrub by the nursery we should order two of them instead of one and place one on Oliver Street and the additional one on Belmont to encourage additional privacy for residents. The 3 euonymus shrubs on Lower Belmont Street will be the variegated variety. An additional Elaeagnus shrub will be planted at the corner of Belmont and Oliver Streets this spring along with the other trees listed. Three viburnum will be inter-planted on Oliver.

As well, this spring there will be 2 cryptomeria trees planted by the entrance wall to the buffer at the end of Montgomery Street, two of the beautiful camellias will be moved closer to the entrance (after checking with Miss Utility for location of the electric line to the lamp post) to allow for the 2 cryptomerias' placement near the three cryptomeria already planted there. An additional camellia shrub will be added to those already planted.

Margo Kingston has been named the Co-Chair of the Committee to replace Judy Elliott. The Committee celebrated Judy Elliott's upcoming marriage and Margo Kingston's co-chairmanship with cake and drinks after the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Susan Kilborn, Co-Chair
March 30, 2016