

Minutes for the  
Parks and Green Spaces Committee Meeting  
May 3, 2016 at 4:00 PM  
Chevy Chase Village Hall

Present: Carol Coffin, Susan Dixon, Mildred Nance,  
Lane Taylor and Susan Kilborn and Margo Kingston,  
Co-Chairs

We opened the meeting with the introduction of our newest Committee member, Lane Taylor, who has been taking courses at Longwood Gardens towards a degree in Garden Design. We welcomed him with enthusiasm both as an energetic member and for his extensive knowledge of plants.

Margo Kingston gave a report on the Montgomery County Weed Warrior program which is now searching for a new Program Leader. We hope that a training date will be set soon since five of us are interested in taking the training as that designation will allow us to actively help with the maintenance of the Village's parks and green spaces.

The Betty English Garden, a project of the Garden Club of Chevy Chase, was honored with an Award of Merit by Montgomery County's Department of Transportation's 29<sup>th</sup> Annual

Beautification Awards Competition this month.  
Congratulations to the Garden Club!

Next on the agenda was an update on the Village Hall plantings. The native climbing hydrangeas which were recommended for planting to the left of the entrance to the work yard can not be found from any nurseries specializing in native plants. Michael Younes has asked the Committee to recommend another climbing plant. The committee recommended the orange Trumpet Vine from the Acanthus family.

Finally, we discussed a proposal by Amanda Jacobs for a memorial to her parents of three Amelanchier trees in one of the Village's parks. The Committee decided that a good location for the planting would be where the honey suckle trees now stand in the Large Triangle Park along Kirkside Drive. This will allow the three graceful Amelanchier trees to be featured in a space where they can be enjoyed as a whole by visitors to the park.

The large Triangle Park plantings in the Northwest corner have been completed. The landscape architect did a fine job and the Park looks wonderful. We had planned to go on a "Walk About" to see it, but because of rain needed to postpone that walk as well

as the chance to continue on to Oliver Streets to admire the spring plantings there.

Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm was tentatively chosen as a Rain Date for a visit to the large Triangle Park and the Belmont/Oliver Streets spring plantings as well as the Brookville Road Park where modifications have been proposed by Lila Fendrick. At that time, Susan Dixon will show us the places along the Buffer where she thinks more trees are needed. Please let us know if you can attend this.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm. It ran thirty minutes longer than our goal of meeting for one hour only, because of this full agenda.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Kilborn  
Margo Kingston  
May 4, 2016