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PRESENT: L. Smith, Chairman; A. Brubaker, Vice Chairman; W. Barker, R. Robinson, P. Fitzgerald, R. Dean, J. Fermery, L. Ruest; Not Present: D. Janik

OLD PROJECTS

1. Governor Weare Park

a. Trash/recycling cribs were rebuilt by church volunteer Neal Pond. A letter of thanks will be sent to Neal Pond from the Committee.

b. Need one recycling bin and one trash bin to match: Bins will be purchased in conjunction with the funds approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

2. Floating Dock

a. Updated Cost Estimate (\$35,000 for 4 docks). The Parks and Recreation Commission has agreed to contribute \$17,000 or 50 percent.

b. New Timeline For Dock – Spring 2021. The floating dock portion of this project has been postponed to 2021 to allow for (1) permitting, (2) time for fundraising and having accurate information for a warrant article.

c. Upgrade Boat Ramp: The Committee scheduled a work session of Tuesday, September 24, 8:30 a.m. at the Depot to hold a work party to identify needs with regard to the boat ramp. Discussion took place with regard to materials and construction (Fall 2019/Spring 2020) as well as anticipated needs relating to gravel (Jason Janvrin offer).

3. Elm Trees: L. Smith restated the timeline with regard to picking up, distributing and planting trees in the Fall of 2020. It was noted that this is a later date than originally anticipated. The Committee reviewed a draft outreach statement that will be forwarded to those who purchased trees informing them of this delay.

In addition, L. Smith informed the Committee of the availability and offer from the Elm Institute with regard to 4 1/2" caliper trees. It was noted that this size tree would be an appropriate size to fill in the area of the removed tree at Gov. Weare Park and also place some along Route 88 at the Town Hall. He noted that the Elm Institute has suggested that an offer of price be made. Discussion took place with regard to the needs to travel to Keene, dig up the larger trees and load and transport them. Question was raised as to whether the cost and effort is worthwhile. No decision was made at this time.

4. Miscellaneous

a. Town Hall Landscaping – Grant from Rye Garden Club: A. Brubaker reported that he mailed the application and will call to confirm receipt. The award is anticipated in November.

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b. Transfer of Ownership of Historical Society Museum (2011 Cy Pres): B. Dean reported that her research found that the Hampton Falls Free Library Trustees has oversight approval of the use of the building and that the Governing Body (Board of Selectmen) has responsibility for maintenance. B. Dean will provide a copy of the documentation for filing at the Town Hall. There are additional specifics that include matters such as the building is not to be moved and is to be kept in good repair.

c. Town Common – Replace Shrubs Around Monument: This matter was not addressed at this meeting.

d. Other: The Committee reviewed the invoice for recent work done to the irrigation system at the Town Common (zone 11).

5. Historical Society Museum: The Committee discussed the items identified by a recent building survey and agreed to bring the matters of tree pruning, rodent removal services and improvements to a window well to the Board of Selectmen for authorization to use the Government Buildings Expendable Trust Fund to pay for this work. Additionally, it has been reported that the slate roof is in need of repairs and that a bird nest needs to be removed from a soffit. It was determined that the work party scheduled for September 24 could do this work after the meeting at the Depot.

It was suggested that Urban Tree could be contacted to perform the tree trimming work. L. Smith will ask the Road Agent to coordinate.

POTENTIAL NEW PROJECTS: The following three items were not addressed at this meeting.

1. Concrete Aprons – PSB

2. Municipal Parking Lot – Initial phase to be a cross walk with steps and rails on each side of vacant lot – (Library moving ahead at their expense)
3. Other -

PUBLIC COMMENT: No members of the public were present.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES (8/20 & 8/27/2019)

MOTION: To approve the minutes of August 20 and 27 as written.

MOTION: A. BRUBAKER SECOND: L. SMITH UNANIMOUS

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 9:18 a.m.

MOTION: A. BRUBAKER SECOND: L. SMITH UNANIMOUS

Schedule next meeting - Tuesday, October 15, 8:30 AM