

## **Burr Gardens Advisory Committee Meeting December 12, 2012**

### **Meeting Opened**

**Present:** Catherine Albin, Jeanne Finlay, Ellen Gould, Michael Jehle

**Meeting Called to Order:** Jeanne Finlay, acting as temporary Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:20 am.

### **Agenda**

#### **Grounds Report**

Ellen Gould spoke for Laura Fasano. Ken Placko has requested a full plan of proposed plantings and removals around the site. This plan is expected to be complete by the end of December. DPW has agreed to help with all items to be removed. Michael Jehle offered to follow up with DPW in January for a timeline for moving boulders and adding additional boulders. Committee agreed that the plan should be submitted to the Board of Selectman for approval prior to submitting it to Ken. It was agreed that BGAC should get on the BOS docket for the first meeting of the New Year. Michael Jehle offered to speak with Ken regarding how much lead-time he may require. Laura Fasano has the permit application ready. Ellen Gould, Catherine Albin and Jeanne Finlay are available and willing to attend the Board of Selectman meeting on committee's behalf. The town has offered to build a three sided fence or barrier to hide the dumpster from public view. The deadline for submitting HDC for the January 10<sup>th</sup> BGAC meeting is Tuesday at 3pm.

#### **Website Report**

Ellen Gould reported she and Lisa Claire have been working on the site and making changes, however cannot post to the page yet, as the town is still working on the general site for all town committees and Boards to post. BGAC page has been updated with the drawing of the master plan and is ready to go as soon as the town website is complete and ready to post.

#### **Fundraising Report**

Catherine Albin reported that she plans to reach out to several people in the community. She suggested perhaps picking up on a version of the Garden Tour the Discovery Museum has let go, but on a more simple scale. Mike Jehle suggested perhaps BGAC and Fairfield Museum could join efforts and invite vendors to sponsor booths and offer goods and services such as sprinkler systems, gardening tools etc. The museum sponsors a Memorial Day Picnic and Mike will check availability of the museum for that day. It was agreed that this could be pulled together by the spring of 2013 Another suggestion was inviting the Burr Christmas Tree Festival to partner an

event and the proceeds could be split. An item for the next meeting will be to brainstorm more ideas like this.

### **Community Breakfast Sub Committee Report**

Catherine Albin spoke on behalf of the sub committee. Catherine is happy to work with Lisa and the sub committee and we look forward to a report at the January meeting.

### **Other Business**

Mike Jehle inquired if Catherine had heard from Betsy Brown regarding Freedom of Information. Catherine has received no communication to date.

### **Adjourn**

The motion to adjourn was made by Catherine Albin and was seconded by Ellen Gould at 10:46 am. All were in favor.