

**Town of Boscawen
Circle Committee
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 21, 2020 at 7:00 PM**

Members Present: John Keegan, Chairman, Jeff Abbe, Julie Fournier, Beverly Drouin, Paul Dickey - Ex-Officio
Others Present: Kellee Jo Easler-Planning & Community Development Director, Kearsten O'Brien,

Chair John Keegan opened the public meeting at 7:00 P.M.

Chair Keegan read off the Covid-19 Public Meeting Notice of Telephonic Meetings, which reads as follows: In light of the state of emergency declared by the Governor on March 13, 2020, and to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, the chair has determined that an emergency exists and that accordingly, until further notice, (a) members of the board may attend all board meetings telephonically, without the physical presence of a quorum; and (b) members of the public who wish to participate in hearings may, on request, participate telephonically or submit comments in writing to be included in the record of the hearing.

The meeting minutes from October 8th were approved by Julie Fournier and seconded by Jeff Abbe.

The flag pole has been erected and the flag raised. Jeff Abbe asked about the concrete and it was reported that Skratte was mixed on-site with the donation of the mixer and generator from Matthews Equipment. Four hours of time/labor were spent. No significant problems arouse.

The installation was covered by The Concord Monitor and the event was attended by Nancy from Franklin Savings Bank, Tim Bristol from the Concord Rotary, Dean and Public Works crew, Stanley Balch with a Until crew, Lyman Cousins, Lorrie Carrie, Carlotta Alicea, Police Chief Kevin Wyman, and Lieutenant Jason Killary and John Keagan. Public Works levelled and affixed the pole to the base while Until erected the pole. John Keagan reported many thumbs up and car horn honks from vehicles on the circle during the raising of the pole. Beverly Drouin reported many positive Face Book responses.

Thank you notes will be drafted by Beverly Drouin, Jeff Abbe based on a list from John Keegan who will review and forward them to Kearsten O'Brien who will put them on Committee stationary for signature and mailing.

There was no financial report, other than to say the \$3,000 Rotary donation had net yet arrived.

Three loads of soil will be delivered by GMI as soon as trucks and drivers are available. John Keagan will deliver cribbing to the circle to support the truck backing onto the circle without disturbing the granite surround. The soil will be spread by Thompson Lawn Care.

Mulch will be sourced from Colby lumber and delivered by GMI. John Keagan asked if the mulch was rough or had been ground/processed? Jeff Abbe volunteered to find the answer. Estimated cost of mulch is \$450. The cost will be covered with a \$500 donation from Lorrie Carey.

42 The Welcome to Boscawen sign will be moved into the circle to the left of the walkway by Public Works.
43 Once the sign is placed, daffodils, narcissus, and red tulips will be planted. Bulbs were donated by Julie
44 Fournier. Beverly Drouin will be contacting Susan at Black Forest Nursery to see if more red tulips can
45 be purchased at a discount. Jeff Abbe suggested Hillary Baily at Merrimack County Conservation District
46 may also be a source of bulbs.

47 Beverly Drouin will be e-mailing Salisbury garden owner, Cindy Meraino to let her know what plants we
48 need. Given the late date and lack of irrigation, plantings will be delayed into Phase II, springtime. Fund
49 raising needs to take place to purchase plant materials, irrigation line and installation.

50 Adele Sanborn will be holding an event to raise funds to benefit the circle, among other goals. Any
51 donation checks should be made out to the Town of Boscawen for the Boscawen Roundabout Project.

52 Date for the next meeting TBD.

53 Meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM Beverly Drouin, 2nded by Jeff Abbe

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