

## **TRAFFIC & BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES**

**MAY 28, 2019 / 1:00 PM**

Phyllis Juette opened the meeting at 1:00 pm. Those present were Bob Burns, Gail Tafaro, Terry DeFilippis, Linda Lauerman and Vonnie Mott. Discussion in order as follows:

#### **Best Lake**

- Tree stump needs to be ground down.
- Railroad Tie Curbing needed along parking lot and more gravel.
- Need a few more benches along Sidewalk on Valley Road side of walk.
- Continue Sidewalk up to Bride's Bridge-looks better than asphalt driveway.
- Bottom of Weeping Beech Tree needs to be cleaned out and mulch put down to make a planting area up to and including the Burnheade Pillar.
- Place a sign in front of wooden guard rail denoting Best Lake like the sign at Watchung Lake.
- Place a split log fence around parking lot.
- Continue sidewalk to library and to crossing on Valley Road next to furniture store.
- Watchung Sign at bottom of Hillcrest has been weeded and mulched.
- Consider planting flowering cherry, pear or dogwoods and viburnum bushes along sidewalk on Valley Road side.

#### **Watchung Circle**

- Area behind 911 memorial needs to be cleaned out and evergreens planted
- White metal railings are rusted and need to be painted black ( Bob Burns will check with County).
- New Fencing needed along Watchung Falls.
- Flood Lights needed at bottom of DAM facing upward.

#### **Plantings Needed**

- Hydrangea in front of tax office needs to be replaced.
- Replace Knock Out Rose bush on left side of Spratford Park plantings.
- Plant a Dwarf Gold Mop Cypress and an Alberta Spruce on either side of Watchung Sign.
- Need one more evergreen behind Watchung Sign at Spratford Park.
- Need evergreen tree to be replaced at EAST side of Best Lake where light is put under tree in winter time.
- This is a Tree of Remembrance from the Garden Club for 911. It was vandalized when on the circle. Bob has the plaque.
- Replace two dead trees at Bayberry.
- Plant slow growing Alberta Spruce along steps at Fire House. Remove old shrubs.
- Plant Stella D'Oro Lillies at each end of medians for color. They come back each year.
- Plant alternating Dwarf Barbary Bushes and Dwarf Juniper Bushes along Falls in Borough Hall driveway.

**Maintenance**

- All new plantings need water over summer .
- Fix hoses on Water Barrels.
- All new trees need to be water bagged.
- All vines need to be cut down.
- Put protective fencing around Tree Hydrangea at Bayberry.

**Town Ordinance**

- Enforce the ordinance not to feed wildlife. Problem with vultures on Stirling Road.

Respectfully submitted,  
Phyllis Juetten