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Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Bill Brower, Judith Gries, Philippa Paquette
Absent excused: Chad Hart, Andy Krofina, Jean Rocheleau absent: Danielle Payne, Marilyn Pomeroy

Treasurer's Report: The appeal letter has brought in about \$800 which hopefully will pay for new plants. Mitch has been asked to limit his mowing and work to fit the budget limitations.

\$500 is being reserved to pay for Chad's anticipated arborist services for tree treatments.

The invoice for the information box needs to be sent to the Town Hall before the end of the month or it will not be paid.

Old Business:

The hydrangeas are still a work in progress!

Weeding is an ongoing necessity particularly prior to the Garden Tour and will require hired service to complete.

New Business:

Nancy Adams is the new alternate to replace Edie.

Judith would like to resign from the committee and serve as a plant consultant "friend". She will send in her letter of resignation to the Town Hall. Bill will approach Nancy Kaplan to see if she would like to join the committee.

The Committee toured the Arboretum and noted the following:

Beautiful stone bridge, stone paths and stone banking by Ben Young. He built additional drainage channel by lower boardwalk.

All three yews are now infected with some disease.

The last remaining English oak is failing. The upper branches did not leaf in this spring.

The black walnut sprouts near the shed should be removed.

Some of the hickory trees could be removed to provide more sun in the lower garden.

The red maple that Margo planted is not flourishing. This may be a lack of sunshine.

The Rotary club is making a donation of trees to the Arboretum and this may be one large tree or several smaller ones. It is possible they might donate

moisture loving bushes for the water area that is being cleared of skunk cabbage. Whatever they donate will need watering "donuts" in order to survive. Bill will obtain these.

The area on the left leading to the new stone bridge needs to be planted before the Garden Tour. Day lilies and Nepeta from Canterbury Horticulture were suggested.

The cherry post for the new information box is being set into the ground and will be set in cement. Bill will arrange for appropriate Information signs to be added.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm

The next meeting is scheduled for July 12, at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Philippa Paquette