

HEBRON COMMON LANDSCAPING & PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE MEETING
DRAFT MINUTES 1/19/23 - APPROVED
DATE: 2/9/23

Present: Fred Kohout, Chair; Garry Lahey; Mavis Brittelli; Paul Falzarano; Bif (Raymond) Wisner (Absent/Resigned); Barbara Kohout, Secretary; Guest Don Merrill;

1. Meeting called to order at 5:06pm;
2. Plot Plan: Review of current plot plan and discussion with Don Merrill of possible location of trees related to Common activities, shade and winter plowing. Don offered to develop custom plot plan (on his program); Just received copy of Hebron Town map including septic and utilities to add to map. Reminder to call DIG SAFE before any plantings; add flagpole, Memorial rocks and new trees already planted to plot plan;
3. Costs for Shade Trees: Reviewed total cost for trees removal and new plantings.
 - a. New TLC estimate: \$575-675 per tree planted; 8 trees = \$5000
 - b. Consider adding 6-9 new trees including Red Maples (available, native); Scarlet Oak (great tree, gorgeous but difficult to find – Don Merrill to help search on Millican's website);
 - c. Differentiate identified plants as "shade" trees or "ornamental" trees and shrubs;
4. Planting Timeline: purchase plants and tag in summer; recommend planting Early Fall, with seasonal consideration for being wetter and cooler, and after trees have budded; holes to be dug wide enough for plant root base;
5. Ornamental Trees & Shrubs: Birch Tree (ornamental, placed by Town Offices); shrubs \$30-50 ea; recommend Red Twig Dogwood (not variegated);
6. Hebron Common annual maintenance costs to be included in proposal:
 - a. TLC estimate: \$2,000 for lawn fertilization, grub control, lime;
 - b. Add in cost of tree fertilization (spikes);
 - c. Allowance for 75 ft setback from well for fertilizers/use organic product;
 - d. Require Licensed contractor for all work completed;
7. Wellhead: needs to be covered; recommend potable water access on common with antique style pump or faucet ("Farmers Faucet");

8. New 20 ft Gazebo: Specifications to consider:
 - a. Pressure treated wood structure, traditional roof, ground level, railings (2 openings), interior benches, power, lights, no ceiling,
 - b. Reviewed proposals and decided to pursue detailed estimate from Amish Country;
 - c. Cost water/power: additional \$5K;
 - d. Concrete pad/foundation, site preparation: get estimate from Haney;
 - e. Use: Gazebo Program (seasonal), Holiday Celebrations/Ceremonies, Hebron Fair and other resident activities;
9. Flag Pole: plan to repaint white and maintain lighting;
10. Generator: Paint white;
11. Hebron Newsletter: Mavis agree to submit HCLPC article for March '23;
12. Consider opening up landscaping project for volunteers and donations;

Meeting ended at 6:35pm
Next Committee PUBLIC MEETING 3/9/23

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Kohout, Secretary

Encl. "Proposed Trees – Costs" for estimated cost of plantings