

December 17th, 2015 --Forest Committee Meeting Minutes, 4:00 Buzz

Attending: Carol Larson, Jennifer Borders, Jill Althouse-Wood, Katrina Streiff

Administrative

-Approved minutes from October and November meetings.

-Budget/Finance: no official report. There is a new bill from Greg Gagliano and a tree bill from Ron's to be added.

Current Grants/Projects in Progress

-Buckingham Greene: DNREC Storm Water Planning Grant has been submitted. Proposal is for Drew Hayes of ForeSite, New Castle, to conduct a study/proposal for remediation. Total amount \$22,000, including \$11,000 from the Buckingham Greene Town fund and a matching grant from DNREC.

-2409 Woodland/Schroeder grant: We need to put together measurements for the handrail. Meet on Saturday to do this.

Boundaries/Encroachment

-Scheflen proposal: An easement was signed by Scheflen allowing him to drain a pipe into the woods.

-Parking in the woods at by the leaseholder at 1801 Green Lane. Measuring the area in question, it is not wide enough for an official parking area for Indian Circle without getting permission from leaseholder—ideas?

Drainage/Erosion

-St. Martin's Lane area is planted. More planting planned for spring.

Invasive Control

-Jen will check the Facebook site for the invasives control doc that Carol uploaded.

Paths/Maintenance

-Bridge replacements in Sherwood: fiberglass pre-fabricated bridges are a possibility.

-Stones across Perkins Run will wait until spring.

-Trail markers/maps would be beneficial.

Removals/Monitoring of Trees

-Oak and tulip poplar were taken down.

-On-going monitoring for emerald ash bore.

Community Involvement/Communications

-Creek watch: no word about this from DE Nature Society.

-January *Arden Page* submission: Emerald ash bore is coming. Don't transport wood from other counties.

New Business

-Election slate: Katrina, Megan, Ed Rorhbach, Quinn Plymyer, David Nordheimer, any other ideas?

-Schroeder funds application: Let's put together a proposal for January—"Boundary issues" survey of forest plus: Sunset Farms- needs split rail fencing, Buckingham Greene- check fence rails, 2033 Marsh Rd- plant shrubs, 1801 Green possible chain or parking area.

Next meeting date: January 21st, 2016, 4 pm, at the BWVC.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Borders