

August 17, 2016 --Forest Committee Meeting Minutes, 5:00 Buzz Attending: David Nordheimer, Jill Althouse-Wood, Katrina Streiff, Carol Larson Absent: Jennifer Borders

Administrative

- Approved amended minutes from July meeting.
- Budget/Finance: Jen was not at meeting. We will update next month.

Current Grants/Projects in Progress

-Buckingham Green Project:

Powerpoint is online from Buckingham Green Runoff project. Foresite had meeting in the woods with Army Engineer and DNREC representatives. Permitting isn't needed because the creek doesn't flow all the time. Foresite is moving forward with planning documents for the project.

Schroeder Project (improving pathway and adding plantings to area around stone circle at 2409 Woodland.) is still on hold because we are waiting on solution to parking/boundary issues that are currently being discussed.

Boundaries/Encroachment

-We are currently working with Arden Safety Committee to monitor the parking near the woods at the north end of Hillside Road.

- We are ordering ten "No Dumping" signs at \$15 a piece to put on the border of Sherwood Forest and adjacent neighborhoods.

Drainage/Erosion

-In inspecting the finished engineered drainage project of 1901 Millers, the drainage seems to be working, but extra rock is not as esthetically pleasing and wasn't in the original plan. We hope that plantings will soften the look and make it look more natural leading into the forest. That will be done this fall in cooperation with John Scheflen, owner.

Paths/Maintenance

-Poison Ivy detected on Arden Woods trail. David will take care of it where it hits the path.

Removals/Monitoring of Trees

-Carol cut a tree on down from Hillside downstream from the pool that was obstructing the path and also another tree on the Sherwood Forest side.

-We are looking into the roots that obstruct path on the Arden Forest side. We need to research procedures for roots.

-We are still monitoring the oak near 2409 Woodland.

Community Involvement/Communications

-We are sharing a booth with Citizens Climate at the Fair, a political action group.

Next meeting date: September 21, 5 pm, at the BWVC.