

**Town of Glastonbury  
Community Beautification Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, January 13, 2021**

**1. Roll Call**

Present: Robert Shipman, Chairman  
Jarrod Sansoucy, Secretary  
Debra DeVries-Dalton  
Jody Kretzmer  
Candice Mark

Excused: Kate Morgan

*The meeting commenced at 7:10pm.*

**2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 9, 2020**

Jody made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; Bob seconded; all in favor 6-0.

**3. 2834 Main Street – revisions to proposed landscaping for the Dairy Queen (replacing Boston Market) – Planned Business & Development Zone – Hallisey, Pearson & Cassidy Engineering Associates – Michael Cassetta, applicant**

Justin Packard presented the revised plan to the Committee. He added trees, per the Committee's suggestion, in the two front islands; Paperbark maple trees. The plan called for 3-inch caliper. Bob and others suggested to change that to 2 to 2.5-inch caliper trees as it would be easier to get them and better off smaller to start.

Bob was happy with the changes that they made; he did suggest that they use Arnolds Promise Witch Hazel for the back (eastern) plantings. Bob mentioned they will need a good watering plan for the maple trees -- since they will be in a sea of concrete and hard surfaces -- to make sure they live a healthy life.

Candice and Debra suggested using a shorter switch grass for the front gardens under the maple trees.

Jody was concerned that the northernmost garden proposed, with a maple tree, is a bit smaller due to a bike rack, and hopes the tree and grasses will not be crowded. Jody also noticed that the eastern property line seems to be filled with lots of garbage. He questioned if they have a plan to clean up the area, to which the applicant responded yes.

Behind the building, or to the east, the applicant wondered if they could keep the existing bushes instead of putting grass in, as the bushes look to be in good shape; they would prune them and stone the area. The Committee agreed, as long as the area is cleaned and they use a nice layer of mulch instead of stone.

Debra made a motion to approve the revised plan; Jarrod seconded; all in favor 6-0.

**4. ELECTION OF OFFICER**

It was decided to postpone an election until everyone is present. Candice will write a letter or reach out to the Town's Democratic Committee to see if a replacement for Della's open spot can be found.

**5. OTHER BUSINESS - NONE**

*The meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.*

Respectfully submitted,

*Jarrod Sansoucy*