

**Village of Hainesville Wetland, Open Space and
Woodland Committee July 11, 2013 Meeting
Minutes**

Meeting opened at 7:03 pm at the village hall.

Attendees: Georgeann Duberstein, Trustee and committee chairperson Barbara Jersey,
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The meeting was called to order at 7:07.

Minutes of the March meeting were approved.

There was no May meeting due to lack of attendance..

Old Business: The village received about \$100,000 less in revenue than anticipated from property taxes, so every department and committee had to limit the items that would be allowed to proceed from their original budget until mid July when the village audit is complete. Then we can see what money is left from the 2012-2013 budget. We will hold off on an additional bench and trash container till next year.

Native Restoration Services cleared some of the less desirable plants from Hainesville Meadow. There are many small saplings sprouting in the northern part of the meadow. George and I moved many of the plants from the "peninsulas" by the parking lot in front of the village hall to Hainesville Meadow. I believe many of the transplants are surviving.

The new landscapers have planted annuals at the village hall and at the signs on 120.

The soil test at Deer Point was completed. There were some recommendations for soil supplements, there is no reason why plants can't survive. We suspect the herbicide used on the Phragmites is still in the soil. We will check with the soil testing lab.

We received approval from Storm Water Management to put the drainpipe in Hainesville Meadow. However, the Army Corps of Engineers is asking for a detailed plant survey. We have responded, saying it is a very small area and the village prefers to spend money on the project rather than paperwork. We'll just have to wait and see.

New Business: A grant application was submitted to the Green Region sponsored by ComEd. It is a matching grant for \$10,000. It would include trees and shrubs for Deer Point and Hainesville Meadow, flowers for Misty Hill East Pond and the butterfly garden, and a sign for the butterfly garden. The grant will be awarded in September.

We had two river birch trees planted at the west end of the village pond in recognition of Arbor Day.

The village clean up on June 22, 2013, went very well. We had 12 students from the National Honor Society of Round Lake and Grayslake Central High Schools along with 5 residents besides myself.

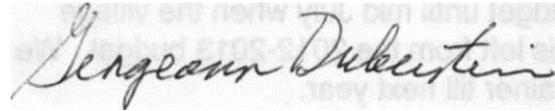
We want to consider doing clean ups in the fall if spring weather prevents us from doing one in March or April. When vegetation has not overgrown the areas. We will ask Avon Township to help with the clean up in the future.

Arbor Day comes in early spring, often too early for planting in this part of the country. It was decided that we would place a stake in the ground to designate where we will plant a tree, but wait till May to do the actual planting.

We discussed the 4 acres belonging to Cranberry North. Jim De Nomie did research for options to get the townhome association to comply to restore the 4 acres. He is willing to work on a proposal for that land.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Georgeann