

## **February 4th, 2010 Wetlands & Open Spaces Committee Meeting Minutes**

### **Village of Hainesville Wetland, Open Space and Woodland Committee February 4, 2010 Meeting Minutes**

Meeting opened at 6:05 pm in Village conference room

Attendees: Georgeann Duberstein, Trustee and committee chairperson  
Gary Walkington, Trustee  
Bonnie Ehrenberg  
Mark Ehrenberg  
David Criz  
Mike Peterson  
Thomas Bergonzini  
George Duberstein  
Jim De Nomie  
Chris Larson  
Dave Coulter, Native Restoration Services  
Amy Schuetz, Native Restoration Services

Minutes of the December 3rd meeting were read and approved.

Old Business: Still working on numbers for the budget. It should be available for approval at our next meeting on Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

A letter from the Lake County Health Department, Lakes Division, was read (see attached.) They are recommending that sport fishing in Cranberry Lake "should be discouraged" due to the drop in dissolved oxygen in the lake for three of the last 6 years.

New Business: We discussed the plan for organizing the planting of the various subdivision entrances. Leaders were appointed for each entrance area. Cranberry Lake entrance off Route 134 will need two to three team leaders. The leaders are encouraged to develop a group of volunteers for their area. Efforts will be made to contact scout troops, community service people, ecology students from CLC, National Honor Society members as well as friends and neighbors.

Appreciation was expressed to the leaders for helping with the vital project.

A list of native flowers chosen for the entrances was presented. The selection was made based on color, height, blooming time, hardiness and price. Amy Schuetz will lay out a diagram for each area in order to get the best mix for each entrance.

Jeff Gately has assured us that public works employees will water the newly planted flowers according to whatever schedule they require.

Dave Olsen, H&D Landscaping, will prepare each of the beds by tilling and amending the soil. After planting, mulch will be applied. He will coordinate soil needs with Amy Schuetz.

In addition to the native flowers, the center areas of many of the entrances and at the subdivision signs will have Shenendoah Switchgrass plugs planted. 160 plugs have been ordered.

Some of the Pampas Grass in the Union Square median will be transplanted to other areas.

Landscaping work will also be done at the Village Hall. First, drain tile will be laid across the front of the Village Hall entrance and the downspouts will be connected into the drain tile. This should alleviate the excess water which hampers the plant growth.

Additional shrubs and perennials will be planted to add color and interest both at the building entrance and in the area closest to Hainesville Road.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgeann Duberstein, Chairman