

Thetford Memorial Park meeting 21April2015
Meeting called to order 5:10pm

Present Jen Boeri-Boyce, Ted Peters, Sandy Bomhower, Jessica Eaton.

Discussion of possible designs
definitely shade needed
picnic tables

TA art / sculpture & horticulture

Nick was to talk to Len Whitaker about a Horticulture class to design a garden. Design contest?

We are in favor of moving the power pole- Ted had made contact last fall with the power company to move it and get permission from the landowner. Ted is willing to try again.

Jessica had filled out the permit on Monday with Chris Bumps with a start date of 27April. Larry is now ready to start on 22 or 23 April. Jessica will try again to call Chris but Larry may just have to wait til Monday. VT AOT has the insurance certificate.

We discussed the need for signs to pack out all trash and to clean up after dogs. Hopefully geese will not be a problem.

Jen has researched the veterans:

Ellery Preston is not found-

Ralph Simonds died of disease May 1919. Buried in Post Mills. He had worked at the Chubb Fish Rod factory.

Clarence Robinson died of wounds July 4th 1918. Buried in Post Mills.

Nathan Hill died of flu 1918 in Postdam NY. Buried in Post Mills.

Earl Johnson died of disease 12 days after he arrived overseas, Oct 11, 1918.

George Cook served on the USS Tacoma. Lt Cdr in 1918. According to a NY Times article he secretly wed but then he is listed as single when he is a locomotive engineer in 1930 in Greenfield MA.

Martyn Tilden joined the Navy 21June1918. Died of bronchopneumonia 24Sept1918.

Arnold Smith went missing, lost at sea in 1946.

Jessica will approach Brian Boland to discuss moving the power pole. Done Wed 22April.
Jessica will finish the letter to Richard Lucy and email for suggestions before sending.

Email from Jennifer Davey: perhaps a design contest for TA students?

Email from Sherry Merrick: space should be all grass, no crushed stone for parking.

Email from Nick B: Can't make it but has talked to teachers. Keeping small plants in horticulture greenhouse to let them mature would be okay. Nick also did some archival digging in the Library but didn't find much.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Eaton

PS: Spoke to Brian Boland- he is all for with moving the pole and taking out the willow. Apologies to Ted for his initial opposition as he had not thought thru the change. He will think about how many trees he is willing to lose on his property line. Is it possible to bury the line? Cost? Maybe people would contribute?