

## LAND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Minutes July 6, 2016

Present: Pat White (presiding), Pat Gillette, Susan Sweeney, Kathleen Grant, Bonnie Broderick. Pat O'Brien and Dawn Meyer attended the meeting for discussion of the 117 Erosion Project.

Meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm. A quorum was present.

1. Minutes from the June meeting were reviewed and approved
2. Susan Sweeney updated us on the watering of the OMS. The timers have been a success, and the Slope looks good. Ganshert will replace 2 shrubs that were lost over the winter/spring.
3. Erosion swale between 102 & 104 Glenthistle Road. The committee recommended acceptance and funding of the proposal from Bassett, which was smaller and less costly, noting that Bassett has prior successful experience with erosion/water issues in the neighborhood. Pat will send the bids to the Board with the committee's recommendation for acceptance and funding of the Bassett bid. It was noted that if there are additional questions regarding the bids, Pat would address these at the Board meeting on July 26.
4. The work day to mulch the OMS was June 10, and the area at the top of the slope and under all adjacent decks was completed on June 11. This will prevent water run-off from the top, which would damage the slope.
5. Erosion Project at 117 GTR. Removal of buckthorn and other invasives will be done in the fall, with replanting next spring. Mike Roak will do tree removal; Bassett will construct the swale and water diversion drains; and Good Oak will do the replanting. Pat O'Brien and Dawn Meyer reported on the current status of the area, and plans for replanting around their unit.
6. Old Middleton Road sidewalk project. Pat has received an updated proposal for removal of buckthorn and replanting plan along the Old Middleton Road sidewalk from the entrance to Glenthistle Road to the Old Sauk Road stop sign. She believes this removal will extend along the north boundary up to 106 GTR. The committee recommends that this project be pursued this summer and Pat will

take this proposal to the Board at the July meeting for approval of the project and the expenditure.

7. Hollow Project. The committee discussed that the basin must be cleaned annually and that buckthorn and other invasives must be removed from this area. She will remind the Board of this issue and will seek additional funding for this.

8. Mowing: there have been several complaints about the mowing by Capital Lakes, among these are missing areas that were to be mowed, mowing every week when this is not warranted with mowers set too low, and causing damage to grass areas by mowing with the very large mowers the day after the heavy rains causing deep wheel ruts and gouges.

9. Dylan has discussed a part time job with the college student who has been doing work in the neighborhood for some residents. He is very interested in the job, but is not available for the time commitment until fall because he has other clients he is working for this summer along with summer school.

9. The next work day will be July 20, from 8 to 11 am. Meet at the entrance to GTR; all are invited to enjoy working in our woods.

10. The next LSC meeting will be August 3 at 6:30 pm at 104 GTR.

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm