September 12, 2024 - LIA Board Meeting

Attendees: Jim Warren, Emily Viner, Susan Birge, Jane Scofield, John Florian, Christine Griffin, Karen Kochis in person and Hans Drenkard on the phone

Minutes accepted.

Financial Report: 216 households have become 2024 LIA members. Returned security deposit to Slaters. Expenses just over 6K. Financial report attached. Clear View will be starting within the next week to clear the view and the invasive north of the trail. Will need to look into ways to control the Japanese knot weed.

Treasurers report accepted.

Communication report:

LIA 2025 'Lordship in Bloom' Calendar

This morning I approved the hard-copy proof, and expect that the printed 200 copies will be ready for distribution to our local sales outlets by next Wednesday or Thursday - in time for the weekend and promotions. In addition, we will be selling at events including:

- Sept. 28 Lordship Community Church Apple Harvest
- Oct. 12 Art in the Park
- Shakespeare Market
- Dec TBD St. Joseph's Holiday Fair

Note: We are not charged vendor fees, as swaps for marketing online that the Calendar will be available at the events.

Education and Environment Committee: have 200 daffodils for the bluffs daffodil project. Christine recommends a soil test of the bluffs. Jane will reach out to UCONN to understand how to get the soil tested.

Mike from the fence company thinks the 3rd or 4th week of September is when the fence would be installed. Mike is waiting on obtaining product. Confirming that Mike will be getting the building permit to install the fence.

Beautification Committee: will add more daffodils to bluffs and to the end of the streets. Not planting any mums, maybe marigolds for color, cut back on mulch. Emily will reach out to Kelly Kerrigan to check in on fall planting of trees in Lordship based on the plan that she submitted.

Burgess Report: report attached

October Meeting discussion: quarterly committees meeting needs to be scheduled. We propose October 30th. Reminder that non-members have no voice on LIA matters/land trust. Hans to document talking points he has so eloquently stated on why no golf carts on bluff and that the general meeting in July covered the golf carts.

New business: Joe Geretz brother offered to help with a strategic plan for LIA. Jane wants to take a stab at that first. CLCC annual conference is March 23rd... as many of us as possible should attend.

Jane has offered to host the November board meeting at her house.