

Minutes of the Palmer Arboretum Committee

October 17 ,2023

Meeting called to order at 3:05

Attendance: Philippa Paquette, Charlotte and John Davis, Sara Dziedzic,

Absent excused Denise Esslinger

Minutes of September 12,2023 accepted

Treasurer's report reviewed. Current balance is \$511.00 in budget and \$9,218.48 in Friends Account. The committee agreed that any future invoices from Bartlett Tree Experts should be paid out of the Friends Account as they relate directly to tree care. If mowing expenses will exceed the regular budget, the Town should be notified. Charlotte is resigning from her position as Treasurer and leaving the Committee. John has agreed to become the Treasurer at this time. The Committee is grateful to Charlotte for her time with us and happy to have John continue.

Autumn Art in the Arboretum: Only three people registered for this workshop next Saturday. Philippa spoke with Barbara Lussier and it was decided that given this small enrollment and the strong possibility of heavy rain on Saturday we will cancel the class. Barbara has volunteered to offer it again in the spring when the weather is warmer and the trees will be in blossom. Philippa will contact the registrants and Erin Lucas to give them a full refund.

The wedding took place in the Arboretum but the squishy grass necessitated the site be moved to the area above the purple beach .

The Woodstock Academy workdays will be on October 25 , 10:30-11:45 and October 26, 3;30-4:45. Philippa and Sara will be present for both and John can be there on the 25 th.

No update from Pomfret School.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch/v=Oci-fZhkvkw>