Palmer Arboretum Committee

Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2024 @ 7 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m.

Attendance: Philippa Paquette, John Davis, Sara Dziedzic

Guest: Thomas and Sandra Swale

Minutes of February 20, 2023 were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: John provided the report electronically, which is as follows as of February 20, 2024. Nothing has changed since last month.

	Budget Account	Friends Account
Opening Balance	3,000.00	9,068.48
Donation		150.00
Payroll	1,083.00	
Better View Landscaping	750.75	
Bartlett Tree	899.00	329.88
Expenses	45.00	
The Last Green Valley Renewal		360.00
Balance at 2/20/2024	222.25	8,528.60

Current Work Projects:

- April 25th-Pomfret School Day of Service 9 a.m. 3 p.m. John will be there to help
- Goal: weed and to pick up sticks and other debris

Future Work Projects

• May 22nd–Woodstock Academy 2:30-4. Sara will be there to help.

Upcoming Tours

• May 8th, 16th and 25th at 10 a.m.

Reschedule June Meeting Date (Town Hall holiday):

• Weds, June 5

Other Business: Discussion ensued about the budget and our request of \$4,000 from the Town. We also discussed hiring workers for the summer, but it will be dependent on the budget. This will allow us to continue to work on the maintenance and health of the trees. We accepted Better View Landscaping's bid for mowing this year. When looking at the fence, a post just needs to be replaced. Sara will reach out to Woodstock Academy's Makerspace to recreate the numbers for the self-guided tour.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm

https://youtu.be/vxWwTiT1CFk

Respectively submitted,

Sara Dziedzic