

Bondsville Mill Park Committee Meeting, January 24, 2019

In attendance: Arne Jensen, Sandy Moser, Doug Freeman, Frank Harvey, Charlie Lindsay, David Culp, Hud Voltz, Jim Buczala, Scott Piersol, Luke Reven

December Minutes: Approved.

Construction Report: 120 man-hours of volunteer time

- **Building C:**
 - Plywood deck on top floor almost done.
 - Sill plate across top of wall and across windows in place.

Trails:

- Trails are in decent shape; maintenance is up to date.
- 1st Walk Event on Jan 1st was a good success.
 - 25 people or so in first group; handful in 2nd group
 - Sandy made cookies; hot chocolate was served

Park Flora/ Landscaping:

- Horticultural Committee had a meeting on January 20th.
 - **Planning for “Ruins Garden”:**
 - 3ft if soil will need to be brought in for area of the garden
 - Kai Pederson plans to do borings to sample soils under pad (determine suitability for use in garden)
 - Wall at the North end (parallel to buildings) needs to be kept as much as possible (Twp engineer suggesting that corner may need to be taken out)
 - Building B walls – Need to keep as much of the ruins as possible, recognizing that something needs to be done to stabilize them. It is important to the “DNA” of the project.
 - Sandy and John Lilley will be starting a “Friends of the Gardens” Committee (broader group than Hort Committee). Kathy Voltz offered to set up a database to manage membership/contact information.
 - **Areas outside of Ruins Garden:**
 - Looking to plant Dogwood and Red Bud trees along bank behind Mill Buildings; timeframe would be April
 - Plant nut trees up in area of spruce forest (Dale Hendricks leading this)
 - Brandywine Bluebell & American Elm seedlings (native to area) also being considered.
- Doug asked about removal of 50’/60’ trees along mill race and back of Mill Buildings.
 - Need input from David Culp
 - Ask Hud about potential donation of services from Asplundh.
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Concrete Pad:

- Work Scope meeting were held on January 3rd (Twp Building) and on January 11th (on site). Hud, Jim, Nate Cline (Twp Engineer), and Rocky participated in both meetings; Chuck (engineer from Pinoni) also participated in the Jan 11th meeting.
 - Nate is working up work scope of Bid Document; Bid Document should go out mid to late February.
 - Concrete pad work will commence in April at the EARLIEST.
 - Plan is to phase work:
 - Phase I: Removal of concrete
 - Phase II: Placement of soil/foundation for Ruins Garden
 - Phase III: Parking lot

Signs:

- Update on directional signs to Park: No new report.

Budget:

\$1512.23 spent of 2019 budget to date for equipment rental and building supplies.

Marketing/Fundraising:

- A Mile Marker article (for Spring Edition) is being written by Jim to highlight the members of the Horticultural Committee.

Miscellaneous:

- Sandy has a small lock box for installation at the Park for visitors to provide contact information to become involved with the project or be informed about happenings at the Park. She will design cards for this purpose.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30am.

Next BMP Committee meeting: February 28th.