

Weekly Property Coordinator Update
July 27, 2013

Parsonage Sale

Our Buyer has signed the agreement with the new closing date and deposit clause as agreed upon at MMfB. Their preliminary meeting with the Planning Board is actually next week – on July 30th. Both Ellie and Deana went this past week; they plan on being on Tuesday. In the meantime, Ellie is showing the property to 2 other motivated buyers. This will give us good back up, though she feels the current Buyer is going to come through in the end.

The Well

I contacted American Well regarding Analytical Balance's test showing Coliform in the water. Holly, American Well's office manager, dropped off a treatment kit at no charge on Tuesday. Buddy helped me "do it" on Thursday afternoon. We likely overdid it, but the instructions assured us it was better to over than under treat it. I ran the water for 45 minutes early Friday morning to flush the chlorine (starting with the outside hose to avoid as much chlorine as possible from going into the septic system). However, the water continued to be a brown color. Everyone assures me that we just need to run the water more, but this condition continues to unnerve me. We can have the water retested in 2-3 weeks.

Property Rentals and Use

Summer on Stage left a tub of lost and found on the back deck so that parents can stop by and retrieve items. I gave them the okay to store a mirror and a clothing rack in the basement until next summer. They hope to return next year, though the need for air conditioning on performance nights may affect this.

The Westport River Gardeners are requesting a meeting in August to make clear plans for next year. Their current president reported that having their plant sale on Memorial Day weekend instead of their traditional week earlier in May (the Young Friends held a retreat here) caused them to have their most successful plant sale ever -- and they want to do it on Memorial Day again next year. Since Property Committee is not yet activated, I am wondering if someone from MMfB or the mostly defunct FIR would be interested in trying to meet with the Gardening Club and me, just so there was another Friend present.

All Security

I am looking for someone to be the "call" person for the week of Yearly Meeting, since all of us on the list will be at Bryant College. Melinda has volunteered to cover just for the weekend.

Book Fair Wrap Up

The Blue Bin truck showed up at 7:05 Monday morning – an hour earlier than estimated – but Steve, the driver, was wonderfully gracious. He emptied the blue bin first, and then we started loading boxes and milk crates with books, which then got dumped into the huge cardboard boxes in the truck. Tristan Pierce and Mike (another teen who has been doing some work for us) arrived as planned, and we had a great, efficient system going. Had the truck filled, and the tables emptied by 9AM. The young men then took down all of the tables – storing them all in the Pod for now – as well as the child care fencing, and the Book Fair sign.

Yard Work

Mike removed the old wood from underneath the Potter House stoop and has been working on cleaning up the walls around the property. Tristan cleaned up the area next to the blue bin where the tables had been

stored. He is helping me do some clean up of the Peace Garden as well as check off a number of other odd jobs that Greg, Kevin and I have put together.

Tool Wish List

I have put together a list of tools that would be much appreciated on site. I'm wondering if Friends have any of these – **IN GOOD SHAPE** -- at their homes which they would be willing to part with.

25 ft. retractable measuring tape

Adjustable wrench

Screw drivers of various sizes, both straight edged and Phillips

Socket set

Needle nose pliers

2-3 inch scraper

Flashlights – one large, one small

Hand trowel and other gardening tools

Upcoming Yearly Meeting and my Vacation coverage

I'm still working on this.....

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