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BRANFORD GREEN COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD JUNE 28, 2018

PRESENT: David Minicozzi (*Dave*), David Colley, Bonnie McKirdy, Don Gentile, Pat Sanders Amy Graver, Laura Noe

ABSENT: Maryanne Hall

GUESTS: First Selectman Jamie Cosgrove and Acting Public Works Director Gary Zielinski

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

- 2. **Interim Green Walk:** the Committee restricted its walk to the area encompassing the proposed False Cypress Garden (see below). During its walk the Committee addressed its concerns regarding the "Free Keys" piano, currently sitting adjacent to the Circle Garden, with First Selectman **Jamie Cosgrove**. Mr. Cosgrove indicated the Board of Selectman had received a green use application regarding the piece and had voted to approve said application. With that the piece will remain on the Green through September 2, 2018.
- 3. False Cypress Garden: Gary Zielinski presented a sketch of the proposed garden and invoice for cost of same, both of which were supplied by Van Wilgen's Garden Center. Discussion ensued regarding the process of accepting one bid as opposed to another; details regarding color, layout and design; who will care for and maintain the garden, especially since there is no adjacent water source; and other aspects. Pat made a motion to accept the proposal as presented; seconded by Bonnie; and after due discussion the motion carried unanimously. Plans are to install the garden as soon as possible. Mr. Cosgrove would also like the Committee's advice on choice of shade trees to be planted in back of the garden on either side of the church playground.

There being no further business **Dave** moved that the meeting be adjourned, **David** seconded the motion, and after discussion the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 5:50PM.

The next Green Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at 4:30PM at the Branford Fire Department Headquarters.

This will be a "regular meeting."

Respectfully submitted.

David C. Minicozzi, Chairman and Secretary Pro Tem