

**BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2016
MASHPEE LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM**

Present: Carlo D’Este, Joan Lyons, Marcia MacInnis, and Kate Milde.

Absent: Mary LeClair, Allen Waters, and Mark Wright.

Also Present: Kathy Mahoney – Library Director
Michael Talbot – Talbot Ecological Land Care

Since a quorum was not present initially, Mike Talbot started an informal review of the proposed front courtyard landscape design. At 4:25 p.m. a quorum was present and the meeting officially opened with Mike Talbot continuing his presentation.

Library Landscape Design Project – Mike Talbot

- Mike said he was on site with Chris Hendershot last week.
- Mike explained the front courtyard landscape layout and the plant listing provided in the submitted proposal.
- If result is that they use smaller size plantings than in the proposal, they will rebate the price.
- Mike pointed out the red maple tree selected would create some shade.
- Plan shows picnic table area, but picnic table not included in the proposal.
- Final pricing came to \$10,000 but they dropped it a little so proposal amount is \$9,986.
- Irrigation is a big issue, but he said there is a hose bin available at the site so conceivably there could be a temporary system set up just to get through the first season to get plants established. After first season, only trees would have to be watered.
- Everything proposed in the Plan is drought tolerant—not a lot of watering needed; all are well-adapted plants.

Kathy Mahoney asked if the irrigation system would be a drip irrigation system. Mike responded “no”; irrigation would be from sprinklers. Kathy said that according to DPW the Town prohibits any irrigation system being hooked to Town water. Mike said that’s only for a permanent system, not for temporary, timed system hooked to a hose.

Carlo D’Este inquired as to latest timeframe to do this project. Mike said late October/November, which would actually be the better time to do it. Mike said if some plants are not available at that time, they would put those plants in at the Spring season, at no additional cost.

Mike Talbot exited the meeting.

Landscape Project Discussion

- Kathy Mahoney reported that after she and Carlo reviewed the final plan late Sunday evening (August 7), she promptly forwarded it to DPW Director, Catherine Laurent, for review. Kathy talked with Catherine this morning (August 9) to review the Plan and Catherine posed the questions re irrigation system.
- On the 2 options, Catherine Laurent suggested to pass on taking the options because DPW could assist with the irrigation and watering. Also, rather than hiring someone to build a basic trellis, DPW could do that for the Library if given the basic design.
- Catherine also indicated that if Library wanted to do the landscaping for the whole area in one sweep, DPW could commit some resources to do the rest, depending on time of year.
- Kathy said she and Catherine looked at picnic tables and suggest at least one table should be ADA accessible. Therefore, table would have to be placed on some type of hard surface, such as some type of concrete, plus a paved pathway would be needed from the sidewalk to the table.
- Catherine Laurent is going to get price quotes for the picnic tables.

Carlo said hopefully next month Trustees can address and finalize this project proposal.

Joan Lyons wanted to know whether or not the pollinator garden is still in the Plan. Kathy Mahoney will check into this.

Approval of Minutes

Marcia MacInnis motioned to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of June 14, 2016 as presented.

Motion was seconded by Joan Lyons.

VOTE: Yes-4

Roll Call Vote: Kate Milde, yes
Carlo D'Este, yes

Marcia MacInnis, yes
Joan Lyons, yes

Library Trustees – Annual Reorganization ... Tabled for next meeting.

Next Meeting ... 4 p.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 in Library Conference Room.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Giliberti
Recording Secretary

LISTED DOCUMENTS

Talbot Front Courtyard Landscape Design.

Talbot Phase 1 Landscape Proposal, including list of Plantings.