

Town Green Committee

Notes – Meeting 1
Mon July 29, 2019

Committee meetings

- Schedule: **Tues Aug 20, 6-8 pm, community room.** Thereafter **every 3 weeks.** Done around new year.
- Public welcome to attend or submit ideas.

General Info

- Goal: make recommendations by end of 2019
- Size: approx 3 acres internal green area; narrowest part ~80 ft
- Already established features
 - Grading will be mostly flat (we can change this as desired but expensive)
 - Sidewalk around perimeter (believe it's outside of tree line)
 - Tree quantity for perimeter (we can alter spacing/locations as desired)
 - Street lights & spacing
 - Safety features – curb, perimeter trees
 - Power lines to stay above ground (but all are on west side of HWY7, not in park)

Don't want

- Prefer not to duplicate what is already located elsewhere (dog park, entertainment venue, sports field)

Ideas

<u>INFRASTRUCTURE</u>	
Parking	Parallel (along middle and railroad streets at south side of elbow, ~30 spots)
Maintenance	Will be some kind of budget
Power boxes	For unforeseen use (food carts, entertainment, future changes to town green use)
<u>STRUCTURAL</u>	
Shelter	For passive use or to house war memorial; not pavilion for concerts
Seating	Plenty of seating options to make welcoming, some arranged to make gathering place
Signage	Classy Milton sign like outside UVM (seek corporate sponsorship)
Shade	To encourage passive use
<u>DECOR</u>	
The old soldier	Want it to have proper permanent home facing south (has been moved many times in 100+ years)
General Stannard House	Incorporate blocks (~100 pound field stones)
Memorialized names	Could make it into a tasteful war memorial like in towns along Maine coast, or creative art sculpture
Art statues	Something to emphasize this part of our culture
Waterfall/fountain	Concerns about climate; could make it seasonal with rain catchment to avoid winter problems
History tour	Provide info on that spot & link it to General Stannard House and other sites with tourist map
Fitness trail	Linked to a trail network (possibly part of history walk above)
Flowers/plants	Could be supplied by cuttings from local townspeople and maintained by garden club
Holiday tree site	Empty site that can be used for Christmas tree
Iron fence / flower boxes	(seek corporate sponsorship)

FOR NEXT MEETING:

- Is archaeological assessment complete?
- What is street light type/spacing/qty?
- Are powered sites already planned & if so what locations?
- What are the exact dimensions of the green?