

HILLSDALE HAMLET COMMITTEE NOTES
Saturday, March 11, 2017 at 9 am

Attendance: Bart Ziegler, Tom Carty, Lynda Brenner, Laura Griffin, Eileen Cohen, Amelia Robedee-Sydlosky, Jeff Paige, Willa Horton, Steve Tiger, David Gallager, the Rev. Mary Langley, Paul Amash, Joan Wallstein.

1. Minutes from February meeting were approved.
2. Sidewalk Project and Street Lighting Update – Steve
 - a. Still awaiting contract approval and start date from state DOT.
 - b. No new word on additional streetlight funding.
3. New Entry Signs and Town Hall Sign – Bart
 - a. The order will be placed shortly. Likely that there will be little price reduction. Sign maker NancyScans gave assurances about the durability of the material used. See discussion in past two months' notes.
 - b. Installation expected late Spring/ early Summer.
4. Rail Trail – Tom
 - a. Work has ceased for the winter months. Paving will be done in the Spring.
 - b. Hamlet Committee will work on a variety of events to publicize and celebrate the opening of this part of the Harlem Valley Rail Trail.
 - c. It was reiterated that we will need to help mobilize a major campaign for funding of tunnel construction under Route 22.
5. Basketball Court Restoration –
 - a. Mike Stertz will take over this project including talking to local contractors and getting bids. Asphalt will be removed to determine extent of work.
 - b. It was agreed that, although a full plan for the design of Hamlet Park should be done, we will not delay work on the basketball court. The funds for the court were raised two years ago and it is important to proceed.

6. Memorial Day Weekend Flea Market -- Laura
 - a. Date will be the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, May 27, with Sunday as rain date.
 - b. The subcommittee--Laura Griffin, Mike Stertz, Phyllis Ehrlich (Mike's wife), and Steve Tiger--are already hard at work.
 - c. There will be no town table, only vendor booths; \$30 per space –table rental extra. Early bird entry \$10.
 - d. David Gallagher, town resident, professional appraiser at Doyle Auction House in NYC and occasional guest on Antiques Roadshow, has generously agreed to run a two-hour appraisal table; customers will be charged \$10 for two or three items.
 - e. Several non-profit groups have asked to have spaces. Recommendation from Committee is to limit this to six groups. No fee will be charged them.
 - f. Friends of East Gate may want to do a bake sale; Hamlet Committee also wants to do bake sale. Since this has always been a good source of revenue, it was decided that there could be a joint sale with income divided between the two groups. (Subsequent to the meeting, the East Gate group said it didn't want to hold a bake sale, according to Supervisor Peter Cipkowski.)
 - g. Food provision is being discussed with the Fire Department.
 - h. Two porto-potties will be needed. In discussions with Flood. Town will be asked to provide some funding for this.
 - i. Many volunteers will be needed Friday and Saturday.
7. Town Board News
 - a. Town Clean Up Day is Saturday, May 6.

Next Hamlet Committee meeting will be Saturday April 22 at 9:00 a.m.