Joint Meeting of Holiday Lighting Committee and Village Green Committee Wednesday, August 28, 2019 4:30 PM on the Common

Attending: Rob Wills (HLC), Mary Scholl (HLC), Gail Cromwell (VGC), Carol Mamczak (VGC), Gary Scholl (Budget Committee and electrical advisor)

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss implementation of the plans approved in the warrant article in March with additional consideration of large tent stakes such as those used by the Temple Band.

Rob opened the meeting by showing us the electrical boxes and mounts that would be installed at the posts. Although the outlets will be covered for safety, additional wooden boxes could be constructed for aesthetics.

We then moved to the electrical boxes on the utility pole. They contain outlets and ground fault protected switches. He stated that a master box would need to be installed between the pole and the fence. From there, the PVC conduit would be installed to locations on the Common. A Ditch Witch will be rented. Rob described two ways the tool can be used. The cable will be two feet underground. Gary asked about Dig Safe. Rob felt that although it probably wasn't needed, he would follow up.

We discussed how a perimeter installation of wire would not work because of the tree roots. A consideration had been given to attaching the wire under the fence rails, but that was determined to be too problematic.

Gail described how the current plan could be implemented with a responsibility of marking the runs with chalk lines before an event requiring large tent stakes. The large tent stakes are driven into the ground up to two feet deep. A map with "no tent stakes" zones could also be developed. She clarified just how far away from the trees the conduits would need to be.

One long run to route 45 with an extension run along route 45 was removed from the plan. There will be four fence locations and another run for the holiday tree. That box will be mounted near the monument. Gail and Gary had placed orange tape on the locations the previous day.

The installation date was set for Saturday, October 5th.

We discussed the location of the existing, but inactive, water pipe on the Common. It will not interfere.

Rob and Gail responded to questions and comments from two residents also in attendance.

Rob will discuss revisions with Will Wildes, electrician. Rob will reserve the Ditch Witch and order the supplies.

The meeting adjourned at 5 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Mamczak VGC Secretary