

**Minutes**  
**PARKS AND GREEN SPACES COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING,**  
**Thursday, October 3, 2019**  
**At 4:00 pm – Village Hall**

**Present:** Margo Kingston and Susan Kilborn, Co-Chairs, Mildred Nance, Ellen Sands, Chevy Chase Village Administrator

Susan Kilborn and Margo Kingston opened the meeting and set forth the **Goals for the Year** as follows.

1. Write Monthly Articles for the Village Crier that Highlight Trees
2. Plant ferns at the entrance to the Village at Buffer
3. Photograph all benches in Village Parks and Green Spaces

Ellen Sands explained how the Brookville Road Dog and People Park was decommissioned at the August meeting of the Village Board. Emotions ran high at the meeting, but the park's small space and resident push back because of noise plus Montgomery County Guide rules for Dog Parks influenced the Board's decision to decommission it.

The trees featured for the September and October Crier articles are the Ginkgo and Beech trees.

Ferns will be planted in the Buffer near the entrance from the Collection Shopping Center. This is planned for the third week of October depending on enough rain to work and enrich the soil. The fern chosen for planting is the male Christmas Fern.

There is a plan for renewal of the boxwood area at Chevy Chase Circle between Grafton Street and Magnolia Parkway. The boxwood has been decimated by Boxwood Blight caused by a fungus. Certain mites can cure this. These mites have been released into the space. Invasive ivy is being cleared as well. Several boxwoods will be removed to increase sight lines of pedestrian and bike traffic at the Magnolia Parkway, Chevy Chase Circle intersection.

Tim Harr and his siblings have dedicated two chairs in honor of their mother, Patricia Harr, who lived on West Kirke Street. The plaques on each of them say *In Loving Memory of Patricia Harr, Forever A Sunny Spot, in Shade or Not*. They have been placed in the False Cypress Right of Way opposite the Village Hall between an earlier placed memorial bench.

### **MEETING DATES FOR 2019 -2020**

**October 3, 2019 @ 4:00 PM**

**November 7, 2019 @ 4:00 PM**

**December 5, 2019 @ 11:00 AM Flocking Boxwood**

**March 5, 2020 @ 4:00 PM**

**April 2, 2020 @ 4:00 PM**

**May 7, 2020 @ 4:00 PM**