Minutes from the April 13, 2019 Winthrop Field Committee Meeting at the Bridge St. Gate along 127.

Present: Mike Carvalho, Jim Moroney, Sue Thorne and Chair Mike Chapman

Absent: Gar Morse, Matt Brzezinski, and George Nickless

Guests: Lisa Bonneville from Longevity Bench Project, John Filias from Jeffries Creek construction, and Consultant Ben Rossi

Mike called the meeting to order at 8:35

Minutes from the January 5, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

Lisa presented an outline of the Longevity Bench Project, the location of benches already installed, future sites of committed benches, and other sites for possible future benches. Our site at the Bridge Street Gate has been reviewed by her committee and is going forward. Two documents need to be signed, one is a property owner document and the other a donor agreement document. The total for a fully installed bench is $4820.00 Our bench will likely run a bit more due to costs relating to developing an ADA compliant access from the sidewalk. Prepayment and plaque wording is due in advance.

Jersey Lane Entrance: The entrance has been marked, posts and brackets are here, cross pieces need to be purchased, and installation is projected for late May, early June weather dependent.
Budget items: **Drain clearing**: manholes on the Senecal property are bubbling over due not only to the extensive rains this spring but to blockage within the drainage system. Backups are occurring into the Field itself. Ben will follow up with a Roto Rooter type of company to get the work done. **Cattails**: this work needs to be done in August after the field has been mowed and the field is dry. The North property line needs to continue to be maintained and some work there should be done this spring/summer.

The Committee set May 18 as a Spring work Project date. Sue agreed to contact some of the neighbors to see if they might contribute some time and energy to this clean up. The focus of the work is to be along Bridge Street. Mike Carvalho will see if some Boy Scouts can focus on Bridge Street as part of Manchester Clean Up Day, May 4.

The next meeting will be May 18 at 8:30 at the Bridge Street gate with the spring clean up work to follow.

Respectfully submitted

Sue Thorne