



**Chesterfield Select Board Minutes**  
**June 1, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.**  
**408 Main Road to Start then**  
**Russell Memorial Park and 403 Main Road**

The Select Board meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Mr. Fuller at the Town Library.

**Select Board Members Present:** Roger Fuller, Patricia Colson-Montgomery, Donald Willard

**Select Board Members Absent:** None

**Town Administrator Present:** Susan Labrie;

**Public Officials Present:** Cynthia Squier, Librarian; Dee Cinner, Historical Commission

**General Public Present:**

**General Public via zoom:**

**Recorder of Minutes:** Susan Labrie

**Tour Library Tree to Assess Trimming Needs and then other Town Properties:**

**Library, 408 Main Road:**

The purpose of this meeting was to review work to be done by Jim McSweeney on the tree behind the library. Ms. Cinner had spoken to Jim McSweeney and would be representing him.

Mr. Fuller reported that he had spoken to the Tree Warden, J B Lynch, who was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Lynch's recommendation was to remove the tree, but, if trimming would be done instead, he would like all dead wood to be removed from the tree. Until all dead wood is removed from the tree, he required the librarian to move the picnic table from under the tree to prevent accidents due to falling dead branches.

Mr. Fuller asked which leader on the tree would be cabled but Ms. Cinner did not know.

It was noted there is considerable mold on the roof and rot on the fascia and trim where the Edwards Museum is shaded by the tree. Mr. Willard recommends removing any branches that hang over the roof of the Edwards Museum. Ms. Cinner will convey this request to Mr. McSweeney.

Mr. Fuller noted that Mr. McSweeney had mentioned another tree on the library property that should be removed. Ms. Cinner was not sure which tree he was referring to.

Mr. Fuller left the meeting at this time.

**Russell Memorial Park:**

- Weeding needs to be done around patch of irises. Ms. Montgomery suggested simply removing all the plants.
- A letter is needed to allow Mr. Willard to throw away some broken and old items belonging to the Town.

- Frost has heaved under the bench between the Skate Park and the tennis courts. The concrete is broken. The bench needs to be reset, and new concrete installed.
- The picnic table needs to be moved off the skate park.
- Wood and pallets need to be moved off skate park. Mr. Willard noted it might be possible to garner community efforts to repair some of the deteriorating skate park features.
- The wood fence around the skate park needs repair
- Sign posts are rotting
- Weeds need to be pulled under the trees
- One of the Bill Jolly memorial trees (the linden?) has fungus.
- The gate latch on the tennis court needs replacing
- The tennis court nets need tightening. Ron Loven has the tool needed for this task. He will be asked to check the nets.
- Tennis court needs crack repair and possible resurfacing.
- A tree on ballpark hill appears to be dying and may need removal.
- There is a leaning bench on the hill between the tennis court and the ballpark that needs concrete work.
- The dying pine tree at the entrance to the park needs to be looked at by the Tree Warden for possible removal.

#### **Veteran's Park:**

A lock on a basement casement of the Town Hall needs replacing.

The costly sod requires careful weeding.

Wood chips need spreading.

The invasive plants need to be removed.

#### **Library Lawn:**

Ms. Squier joined the meeting at this point.

The small garden planted by a former library trustee at the corner of Main and North Roads is not being maintained. Ms. Montgomery suggested grassing it in. Ms. Cinner and Ms. Squier concurred. They would like to save the heather plant. Ms. Cinner will be responsible for maintaining that small patch.

#### **Meeting Adjourned**

With no further business the meeting adjourned 2:00 p.m.