

Ardencroft Public Works
Committee Meeting Minutes
02.02.2026, 7pm
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In attendance

Christopher Raia, Chair
Kevin Nemeth
Dan Rubin

Call to Order

7:05pm

November minutes

Approved

Existing Business

The 75th anniversary project status was discussed. Funding is valid until June 30th of this year so the remaining projects need to be completed by then to receive reimbursement from the various sources. Rocky Walk bridge is to be completed by next week. The sanctuary Path handrail is next on the list and anticipated to be completed by end of February. Curtis Bridge and the trash corrals are to follow.

We discussed a potential Beech Lane park dedication again and interest remains, but the committee is at the end of its funding for the year so we aspire to look again in the next fiscal year.

We have two areas of runoff concern—one at the corner of Willow and Sunset, and one on Beech Lane. For the former we are soliciting a quote for some work to ensure that is conducting water properly. For the latter it's been neighbors and committee members doing manual cleanouts.

New Business

Fire hydrant shoveling during snowstorms was discussed. We presume that the leaseholders whose frontage holds the fire hydrant should be clearing them for emergency usage. The committee realizes that can be difficult given storms like the recent one, so the committee members are available to help if called upon.

We have a large number of dead ash trees that require removal. One location is along Orchard Walk, and the other is in the woods near Veale Road and Perkins Run. All are being removed imminently. This effort will exceed the Public Works budget for the fiscal year by about \$1900, but it must be done as these are a significant liability—one recently came down and caused an 8 hour power outage in the neighborhood and traffic delays along Veale. The committee will endeavor to economize next year as a result. State grants were investigated but were not deemed viable given the urgency of the matter and requirements for application. The brush and limbs will be chipped and removed, but the firewood segments will be left for residents to cut, chop, and use as they wish.

Adjournment

7:55pm