

**Christine Joyce**

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**From:** Dean Charter  
**Sent:** Monday, March 12, 2012 2:22 PM  
**To:** Manager Department  
**Cc:** 'Pat Kosicki'  
**Subject:** Meeting House Hill sign  
**Attachments:** HDC approval.pdf; MHHbeacon0001.pdf

The Acton Garden Club would like to cost share for a sign for Meeting House Hill, which is town property at the intersection of Main Street and Nagog Hill Road, and is the location of the first meeting house in Acton. Municipal Properties performs the basic maintenance but the Garden Club has established and maintains the gardens on both slopes. The hope is that with proper signage more people will take the time to stop and enjoy the area. I recommend approval. The Garden Club has received HDC approval of the sign. See attached Certificate and a photo from the 1960s showing what had been there in the past.

Regards,

Dean A. Charter, MCA, MCPPO  
Municipal Properties Director

# Girl Scouts to Complete Tree Plantings

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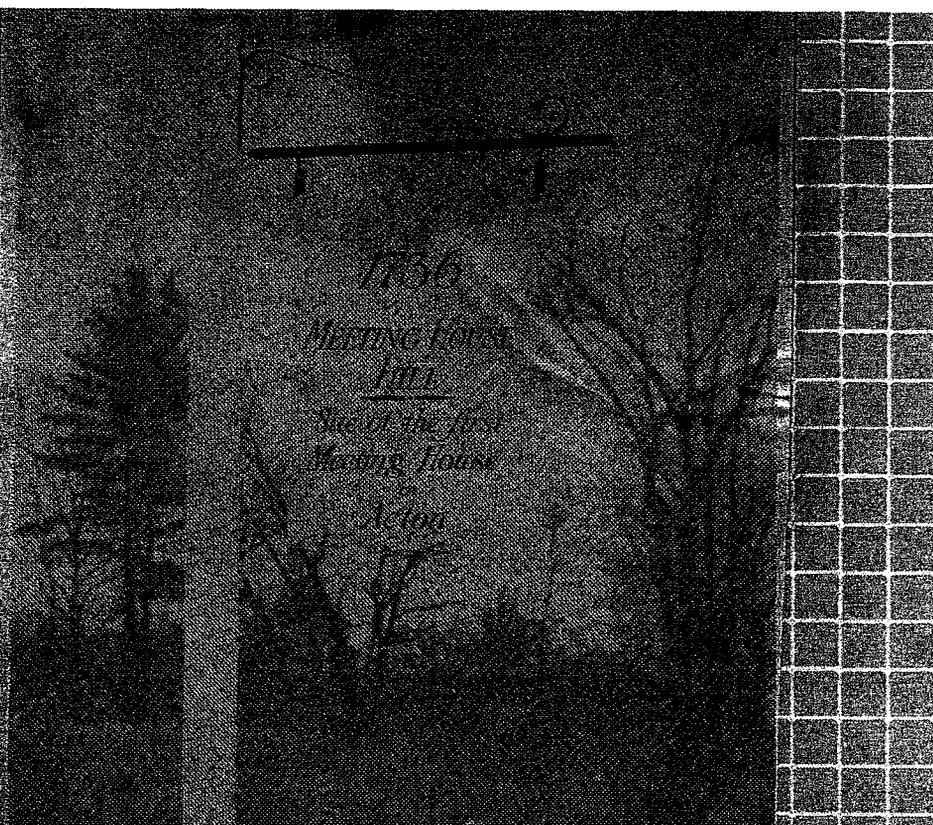
They have called upon every Girl Scout troop in town inviting them to donate money toward the purchase of a laurel bush for the park. All the Brownie, Junior, Cadette, and Senior troops in Acton contributed to this planting.

This laurel bush will be the Acton Girl Scouts way of saying "thank you" to all the citizens of Acton for the many meeting places they have enjoyed—past, present, and future.

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MEETING HOUSE HILL, the beautification project undertaken by Acton Garden Club with help enlisted from other organizations and private citizens, is now designated by a newly erected sign and is the site for Arbor Day program tomorrow afternoon. The public is invited to ceremonies at the Main street, Acton Center location at 3:30 p.m. (Williams photo)

## Arbor Day Planting In Acton Friday

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TOWN CLERK, ACTON

Certificate # 1165

**TOWN OF ACTON  
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
472 Main Street, Acton, MA 01720**

**CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS**

Pursuant to Chapter 40C of the General Laws of Massachusetts and the Historic Districts Bylaw of the Town of Acton, the Acton Historic District Commission hereby issues a

**CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS**

For the work described in the Application of the same number.

Applicant (or owner) Acton Municipal Properties Telephone 978-929-7744

Address 472 Main Street, Acton, MA 01720

Location of Work 510 Main Street, Acton, MA District: Center X  
No. Street West \_\_\_ South

**Description of Proposed work:** Furnish and install a painted wooden sign and post.

The proposed sign will inform the public that it is a public property and is maintained by the Acton Garden Club. It will be similar to the sign that was there in the past.

White wooden sign 2' x 3' with black lettering (see attached).

Mounted with black metal brackets on a 4" x 4" pressed cedar post with cap.

**Conditions, requirements, recommendations:**

Location to be determined by Acton Municipal Properties Dept.

Recommendation to use Caslon Old Face Italic font.

Final approval rests with the Board of Selectmen.

The applicant may proceed with the proposed work provided all other approvals have been obtained, including a Building Permit or Sign License where required. This Certificate is valid for work commenced within one year of the date of issuance. An extension or renewal of the Certificate of one additional year may be granted at the discretion of the Commission. If a property changes ownership during the time the Certificate is in force, a new owner who

wishes to continue the authorized work must apply to have a new Certificate issued in his or her own name.

Application received December 12, 2011 Date of Public Hearing n/a

Certificate approved by Pamela W. Lynn Date January 24, 2012  
for Historic District Commission

Copies to: Applicant, Building Commissioner, Town Clerk, HDC File

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MEETING HOUSE  
HILL

*Gardens Maintained  
by the  
Acton Garden Club*



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