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Christine Joyce

From: Dean Charter
Sent: Friday, October 10, 2008 9:13 AM
To: Manager Department
Subject: Accept donation from Garden Club

Attached please find an offer of a donation of a new irrigation system for a portion of Meeting House Hill (located at the intersection of Nagog Hill Road and Main Street). The value of this donation is \$750.

I recommend acceptance.

Regards,

Dean A. Charter, MCPPO
Municipal Properties Director
Town of Acton

The Acton Garden Club, Inc.

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October 9, 2008

Dear Board of Selectman,

The Acton Garden Club requested funds from the Acton Lion's Club for the installation of underground irrigation at the Wildflower portion of Meeting House Hill. The Lion's Club very generously approved our request for \$750. The plan calls for three spigots to be installed. Two will be along the lower path and one part way down in the upper portion. We care for, and have been upgrading the site with wonderful, rare rhododendrons donated by a resident, with other shrubs obtained through a grant and with wildflowers purchased with funds donated by a member moving from Acton.

The biggest problem we have been facing is watering these additions. We currently run over 250' of hose from one faucet. It is very time consuming to water with our current sprinkler system. There are a limited number of members who can drag the hoses around. The hoses detract from the beauty of the garden. The irrigation improvements will minimize the need to have long runs of hose and make it easier to water the beds.

We hope the Town will accept this gift. (A similar gift using Acton Garden Club funds was accepted for the Daffodil Run portion of Meeting House Hill with installation occurring April, 2008).

Warm regards,

Maureen Christmas

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President - Acton Garden Club
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P.S. The Acton Garden Club will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary in 2009. We are planning:

1. A Garden Tour June 12 & 13 (ticketed event)
2. A lecture -FREE to the Public - Sept. 23 - given by Peter Alden on "Invasive Aliens (plants) Eating Acton"
3. A Floral Design Program - FREE to the Public - probably in Nov. - given by members of the AGC.

Just thought you might be interested. I can give you more details when they are available. Our website - www.actongardenclub.org is also a source of information.

Thank you. -MC