

Sewer Sisters Meeting
September 11,2021

A robust meeting was enjoyed by all at Mary and Fred Gentry's home. Many thanks to them for sharing their fabulous yard. Fred, for such amazing tending as we discussed sewer sisters' issues, and to everyone who brought such tasty treats. What a great way to start the fall season.

The fall work party is scheduled for Saturday, October 9,2021 beginning at 9:30am. Please bring various tools that will be needed for weeding and trimming; clippers, extension lopers, shovels, etc. We will simplify the day by not having refreshments, so if anyone needs nourishment during the work party, please BYO.

Holiday Party.

Tentative and will be determined by the covid situation. December 4,2021. Mark and Joanne Koenig have offered their home, if conditions allow. Another option would be to have an open air gathering on the beach to watch the Christmas lighted boat parade. Linda Eich has offered her beachfront access.

The Sewer Sisters dues will be collected at this event, \$10.00 per person, \$20.00 per couple. Our various costs include maintaining the water at shipwreck corner, obtaining path material (chips or oyster shells) etc.

Patty will check one more time for availability of the crushed oysters shells, and Lee Greenlee has a potential source from Bainbridge Island; she will share this information with Patty who will report back to the group.

Garden Tour. Again, to be determined by the covid situation. June 26,2022, 10-2pm.

Possible gardens:

Amanda Bley-Kuehn

Nancy Brown's raised beds

Bob and Michelle Nanny

7408 BHR beverage stand

Peggy Dreyfus

Cedar Bouta

Lasha Steinweg

Post tour party at Mary and Fred's to celebrate.

(The storm water project timeline may impact having the garden tour....).

The storm water project.

Cedar and Nancy gave a great overview of the latest understanding of the storm water project that is planned for Boston Harbor Road. The initial plan was extensive and involved many established yards and gardens along the roadway. The plan is being revised. The County has recognized that it may not be necessary to make all storm drains consistent which will result in far less disruption to the ditches and vegetation along the roadway. The focus will be to address flooding issues.

The in-water part of the work project has timing limits; work such as this is done between July 15 and October 15, and when there are not surf smelt spawning. However, if an approved biologist determines that there are not surf smelt present, work can occur, but must be completed with two weeks.

The upland part of the project can occur with no timing restriction, except the goal of avoiding muddy runoff into the harbor.

At the February Boston Harbor Neighborhood Association meeting the county hopes to present the revised plan.

A further issue is the new street lighting that has been placed by PSE along 72nd Way and 72nd Ave. Nancy will talk to Richard from the association and Patty will talk to PSE regarding the lighting situation. The concern is over lighting and impact on the night sky.

Boat Launch Rebuild. This is slated for summer 2022, but no details were presented at this time.

Next meeting : Work party on October 9,2021 9:30am-11:00am

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