

## City of Shelton Anti-Litter Committee Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2022

Shelton City Hall Room 104

**Members Present:** Gil Pastore (Chair), Joe Welsh, Teresa Gallagher, David Edgeworth.

**Also present:** Matt McGee from Shelton Clean Up Project.

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm.

**Gil Pastore made a motion to approve the minutes for March 23, 2022. Seconded by Joe Welsh. All were in favor.**

**Top Ten List:** Committee members discussed potential locations for a “Top Ten” list of areas in Shelton with a perpetual litter problem. Areas nominated for consideration were:

- Bridgeport Ave from Commerce Drive to Constitution Blvd. Hotspots included the wooded stretch near Commerce Drive; the area in front of Walmart; and the Park & Ride.
- Indian Well Road, including parking areas. This is a state road leading through the state park to the Birchbank neighborhood.
- Pootatuck Place (behind Hilton Garden Inn at Exit 12). There is chronic dumping and loitering trash along the river, with multiple large work parties to clean the area.
- Beard Sawmill Road under Route 8: There is a pull-off under the bridge with chronic dumping problems. People dump down the steep embankment directly into the Far Mill River. Beard Sawmill Road was recently adopted by Wells Hollow Creamery.
- Todd Road. There have been many large work parties to clean up this road, and there is chronic dumping.
- Booth Hill & Mohegan Roads at “Four Corners.” Teresa Gallagher noted that these streets have been at the top of the list for adoption, and there may be some interested parties coming forwards soon.
- River Road (Rt 110). Committee members were unsure which part or parts of this road are most problematic.
- Leavenworth Road (Rt 110). Committee members were unsure which sections were worst. Clean Sweep work parties at the Land Trust’s Nicholdale Farm and Willis Woods result in many bags of litter collected.
- Commerce Drive. This was just adopted by Wells Hollow Creamery and for now is on hold.
- All Route 8 entrances/exits.

- Canal Street - north end (near Boys & Girls Club and the Shelton Canal & Locks)
- Mill Street is too hazardous to adopt
- Nells Rock Road from Oak Valley Road to Bridgeport Avenue is too hazardous to adopted (Oak Valley Road to Shelton Ave. was adopted by Big Y).
- Shelton High School under the bleachers
- Long Hill Ave, Route 110 to Murphy's Lane or Soundcrest

**Clean Sweep Updates:** A few cleanups are still underway, and many of the cleanups already held were not reported on the Cleanup Reporting Form. Members decided to meet next month and choose Volunteers of the Year.

**Adopt-a-Street Updates:** Wells Hollow Creamery adopted Beard Sawmill and Commerce Drive. Teresa Gallagher recommended that Committee members reach out to each Adopt-a-Street participant for feedback.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

*Minutes created by Teresa Gallagher and should be considered draft until approved by the Anti-Litter Committee members.*