Village of Woodstock Board of Trustees Special Meeting July 26, 2023 2:00 pm Zoom Agenda

- A. Call to order
- B. Music by the River Request to use the Village Green instead of East End Park
- C. Other business
- D. Adjournment

This meeting will be held on Zoom.

The link to join us by Zoom is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85879622419?pwd=Q1NZUIFKaWRPTmZURFppUGxWRU9UUT09

Or from zoom.us you can enter these details to join the meeting:

Meeting ID: 858-7962-2419

Password: 412048

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Friends,

I believe we have a shared goal of providing excellent, family-oriented events in a happy, safe environment. *Music by the River* has evolved over the years into a much-anticipated summer event.

Given this year's unusual turn of weather and climate-related events, we have been unable to hold any of the concerts at East End Park, and as we review the status of the park, we feel it is prudent to postpone concerts there for the remainder of the season. The silt on both the main park areas and the trails, combined with pipe exposure and barely passable access road need to be addressed and rectified before inviting patron entry. Guidance from state health officials is clear that pets and people should not come into contact with the silt deposited from the flood.

Music by the River is offered as a free series and while valued, should not be a top priority for town officials in terms of what areas are repaired first. In the spirit of doing what's appropriate and best for all, we plan to step back and allow the Town ample time to review and repair the park.

As you can imagine, a lot of decisions need to be made prior to each concert. The musicians, volunteers, and technical crew need to be notified if there is a change in venue three days in advance. Our promotional and marketing efforts already in the pipeline need to be revised and resubmitted. Lastly, if we invite patrons to a spot that is not deemed ideal for sitting in lawn chairs, with children playing in the grass, they are not likely to return.

We believe the Village Green is a suitable option, especially since that is where Pentangle's summer concerts started so many years ago! Should the Trustees prefer we not move to the Green, we will consider cancelling the remainder of the series and revisit next year.

Respectfully

Alita Wilson

Executive Director

Angela Moore

Marketing Director