

Re: Joslyn Landscaping

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Wed 2/1/2023 12:44 PM

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Cc: Wendy Meagher <Wendy@meagherengineering.com>; Crystal Wells <crystal@meagherengineering.com>; Doug Everling <Doug@meagherengineering.com>

Good afternoon Shawna & Kim,

I hope all is well with you both.

I am emailing you regarding the project at 3611 County Road 16, Canandaigua, NY 14424. Understood regarding the reasoning in avoiding the selection of boxwood. Attached please find an updated landscaping elevation substituting the boxwood with the recommended shrubby st. john's wort.

Please confirm if this addresses the condition for site plan approval related to the landscaping plan. If so, we will look to finalize our drawings and coordinate addressing the other approval conditions.

We would greatly appreciate hearing back from you. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns, and if you have any issues accessing the shared file.

Sincerely,

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From: Shawna Bonshak <sbonshak@townofcanandaigua.org>

Sent: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 5:24 PM

To: Tony Tintera <Tony@meagherengineering.com>

Cc: Wendy Meagher <Wendy@meagherengineering.com>

Subject: FW: Joslyn Landscaping

Hi Tony-

Kim has done a final review and has some comments, see below.

If you can switch those out, we should be good and ready for submission for signature.

Thank you,

Shawna

From: Kim Burkard <kburkard@townofcanandaigua.org>

Sent: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 11:22 AM

To: Shawna Bonshak <sbonshak@townofcanandaigua.org>

Subject: Fw: Joslyn Landscaping

I see boxwood was chosen to go in front of the residence. Boxwood is not native and given how most people clip boxwood (very low, 1-2'), chances are very good that this will not provide much screening or softening the view of the residence from the lake. There is also a boxwood blight and NY State is in the distribution area for that. The transmission of the fungal disease (<https://www.extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/bp/bp-203-w.pdf>) is increased in moist environments. While there are disease resistant cultivars, the suggestion would be to avoid that problem all together as pruning and clipping can help spread the disease/make it worse and that is exactly what people do with boxwood. Boxwood typically has little to no flower appeal and some people (myself included) find boxwood to be foul smelling with a smell like cat urine.

This article has a number of lovely native choices for small shrubs: <https://www.ecolandscaping.org/11/designing-ecological-landscapes/native-plants/small-native-shrubs-to-replace-commonly-used-exotics/>. I personally would suggest shrubby st. john's wort. It has copious yellow blooms midsummer, is easy care for, can commonly be found at larger nurseries, and would give the owner a yellow blooming shrub as they were originally looking to plant forsythia.

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Subject: Re: Joslyn Landscaping

Good morning Kim & Shawna,

I hope all is well with you both.

I just wanted to follow up regarding the project at 3611 W Lake Rd, Canandaigua, NY 14424 in the Town of Canandaigua. Have you had a chance to review my last email?

We would greatly appreciate hearing back from you. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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From: Tony Tintera <Tony@meagherengineering.com>

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Hello Kim & Shawna,

I hope all is well with you both.

I am emailing you regarding the project at 3611 W Lake Rd, Canandaigua, NY 14424 in the Town of Canandaigua. Please find our updated rendering of the site attached. Please note the following:

- Transient plantings (i.e. those that would exist on the stairs, breakwall and rooftop) are not shown for clarity given how interchangeable they are.

Please confirm whether the elevation satisfies the landscaping condition related to site plan approval. If it does, we will look to finalize all other conditions and coordinate final submittals to the Town.

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From: Kim Burkard <kburkard@townofcanandaigua.org>

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Forsythia, Forsythia x intermedia (hybrid of two east Asian species)

- The flowers are sterile and have no pollen, despite copious flowers, for our earlier season pollinators. Even though it has sterile flowers, these plants can spread. Source: <https://kallecoplantnursery.com/popular-plants-that-are-invasive-and-what-to-plant-instead/>

- Forsythia is stoloniferous—when the tip of a branch touches the ground, it can root and start another bush. Source: <https://highlandscurrent.org/2015/03/05/roots-and-shoots-forsythia-friend-or-foe/#:~:text=Just%20in%20case%20%E2%80%9Cstoloniferous%E2%80%9D%20isn,runners%20will%20create%20new%20plants.>
- I have seen this plant running through woodlands. While it is no doubt in many places, I've seen it in woodlands on Gulik Rd in nearby Bristol, in woodlands along RTE 5&20 in the Syracuse region, and at my own home in Canandaigua. The previous owner planted multiple forsythia. I've been working on removing them and I've had to regularly remove multiple young bushes spawned from the parent plant. (I will remove them eventually.)
- This is not as invasive as other species and it is not listed in the plant species that have been ranked with NYS' invasive raking. But there are many lovely native species that the owners could use instead that could provide more landscaping and habitat appeal than forsythia.
- Just a few native shrubs that could possibly be used:
 - Spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*): Fragrant yellow flowers bloom in early spring on this rounded native shrub that's an important larval host plant for several butterflies. Fragrant leaves with a spicy fragrance too. Female plants bloom just after the forsythia.
 - Fothergilla (*F. major* and *F. gardenia*) This shrub offers an early bloom of white bottlebrush flowers on naked stems, plus vivid foliage in the fall. (Native to southeast US.)
 - Shadbush, or serviceberry (*Amelanchier* species) is not yellow-flowered at all, but white, and another early-bloomer. The smallest among this genus of native small trees is *A. canadensis*, which stays under about 15'. *A. stolonifera*, a much smaller, spreading thicket of a plant. All the *Amelanchier* have clouds of delicate white blossoms; red fruit that's tasty (to birds and people) and later turns black, and hot fall foliage color, plus handsome gray bark.
 - Pussy willow (*Salix discolor*), while this can be a medium-sized tree, all willow tolerate heavy pruning and can be kept to a shrub-sized plant. They can even be coppiced, cut down to a few inches off the ground to resprout and grow anew. These produce beautiful and fun catkins around the same time. All native willows are important habitat species.
 - Hobblebush (*Viburnum lantanoides*) has showy white blossoms and great fall color. These support pollinators, fruit for birds, and more.
 - The native St. John's Wort/*Hypericum* shrubs (*Hypericum kalmianum*, *H. frondosum*, *H. prolificum* and *H. densiflorum*), produce showy yellow balls of flowers in midsummer. They are amazing pollinator magnets. Shrubby St. John's Wort (*H. prolificum*) is a definite favorite.

These resources may be useful for this or other projects:

NYS Invasive Species Ranking Lists: <https://nyis.info/non-native-plant-assessments/>

NY Flora Atlas (Native Species of NYS): <https://newyork.plantatlas.usf.edu/> (You can check any species here to see if it is listed as a NY native species.)

Finger Lakes PRISM:

<http://fingerlakesinvasives.org/>

NY Natural Heritage Program Guides (The community guides are awesome for species lists that match to different habitats.): <https://guides.nynhp.org/>

Local Native Plant Vendors:

Amanda's Native Garden: <https://www.amandasnativeplants.com/>

White Oak Nursery: <http://www.whiteoaknursery.biz/>

Plantsman Nursery: <https://www.plantsmen.com/>

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Good afternoon Kim,

I hope all is well with you.

Our office will be closed next week, and as such I was hoping to iron out the landscaping questions / comments with you before the end of the week. Are you available for a call tomorrow or Friday morning?

I would greatly appreciate hearing back from you. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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The office at Meagher Engineering will be closed for the holidays starting Monday, December 26, 2022 and re-opening Monday, January 2, 2023.

We wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Safe, Happy and Healthy New Year!



From: Tony Tintera <Tony@meagherengineering.com>
Sent: Friday, December 9, 2022 7:37 AM
To: Kim Burkard <kburkard@townofcanandaigua.org>
Cc: Wendy Meagher <Wendy@meagherengineering.com>; Crystal Wells <crystal@meagherengineering.com>;
Shawna Bonshak <sbonshak@townofcanandaigua.org>
Subject: Re: Joslyn Landscaping

Good morning Kim,

I hope all is well with you.

My availability next week is the following:

- Monday: All day
- Tuesday: 7:30AM-9:00AM, 11:00AM-12:30PM, 2:30PM-5:00PM
- Wednesday: All day
- Thursday: All day
- Friday: All day (NOTE: Our office closes at noon on Fridays)

Could you elaborate regarding forsythia being considered invasive? Regarding additional species considered for the landscaping shrubs there are the following: Flamingo Willow / Willows, Red Twig Dogwood / Dogwoods, Virginia Sweetpire.

Please let me know what time you are thinking and I will block off in my calendar. Also, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns in the meantime. Thanks!

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From: Kim Burkard <kburkard@townofcanandaigua.org>
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Is there sometime next week I can reach out to you? And if you can send me anything you have or are thinking of in advance, it will help make the conversation more productive. Many thanks,

-kim

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From: Kim Burkard <kburkard@townofcanandaigua.org>

Sent: Tuesday, December 6, 2022 5:48 PM

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I was out of town today and will reach out later this week. If you have anything for me to review, it will help the discussion. Thanks,

-kim

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From: Tony Tintera <Tony@meagherengineering.com>

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Subject: Re: Joslyn Landscaping

Good morning Kim,

I hope all is well with you.

Just checking in again regarding the Joslyn project. Could I schedule a time with you to discuss the landscaping for the project?

I would greatly appreciate hearing back from you. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2022 12:05 PM

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Shawna Bonshak <sbonshak@townofcanandaigua.org>

Subject: Re: Joslyn Landscaping

Hello again Kim,

Understood. Could you clarify where forsythia is being considered invasive. Is it by the Town of Canandaigua? Ontario County?

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Tony-

Given my work situation, email is the best way to reach me but if you need to talk live, let me know and I can reach out to you. Many thanks,

-kim

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Subject: Re: Joslyn Landscaping

Good morning Shawna,

I hope all is well with you.

Thank you for checking in. Understood regarding Kim's comments. We have been waiting for additional direction from the client, as they have been busy since their departure around the time of the last PB meeting. We should be meeting with them soon. Is there a specific line that Kim can be reached at in case we need to get a hold of her? You should be seeing materials from us soon as it relates to the approval conditions.

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From: Shawna Bonshak <sbonshak@townofcanandaigua.org>
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To: Tony Tintera <Tony@meagherengineering.com>
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Subject: Joslyn Landscaping

Hi Tony-

I wanted to check in on the landscape plan for Joslyn.

Kim Burkard is our in-house expert and has comments below. She is also willing to suggest some native species if that would be helpful.

Thanks!
Shawna

From: Kim Burkard <kburkard@townofcanandaigua.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 10:16 PM
To: Shawna Bonshak <sbonshak@townofcanandaigua.org>
Subject: Re:

This reminds me, did Joslyn ever send a landscaping plan? I know they had forsythia in their list and that really needs to be a "no" as it is invasive. Tony used the word "oasis" multiple times in his presentation as something the owners wanted. If that is true, they really want to focus on native shubbery as that will bring birds and butterflies which fosters that "oasis" factor. I can suggest some nice small native trees and shrubs for them.

-kim

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