

Beautification Committee
August 5, 2019
Village Hall
3:30 PM

Minutes

- I. Call to Order:** Molly called the meeting to order at 3:30.

Attendees: Jeff Batton, Kevin Brewer, Bert Higgins, Peggy Johnson, Mary Hall Koontz, Amy McKenzie, Tony Persico, Molly Rowell, Connie Welk

Guests: Nicole Dunstan, Marty McKenzie, Bill Wood

- II. Approval of Minutes:**

Mary Hall moved to accept the minutes and Tony seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

- III. Budget-**

Kevin submitted the budget for the new year.

There was discussion of the Christmas Decoration Contest. Bert said we should plan to spend \$2250 for expenses. Gifts will come through donations as well as vouchers for village events. Kevin will have an updated budget at the next meeting with the reallocation for the Christmas Decoration Contest.

Some tree replacements will take place in the future which may necessitate reallocation of funds.

- IV. Calendar-** Kevin submitted the calendar to January 2020.

Date	Action	People Involved
September 10	Spring plant order	Garden Club, Matt Whitaker, Kevin Brewer
October 3	Plant containers downtown (Pine Branch) and stacked stone planters (Bart Jr.)	Garden Club-Pine Branch, Bart Jr., Kevin Brewer, Matt Whitaker-Green Haven
October 10	Plant Gateway signs	Adopting Partner, Kevin Brewer, Tony Persico, Beautification Committee(Hwy 5)
October 22	Planting Day downtown (Joanne will confirm after board meeting on Aug. 6)	Joanne Valdes, Matt Whitaker-Green Haven, Kevin Brewer, B&G staff to unload plants. Garden Club Members

October 21-25	Plant annuals in Tuft's Park	Kevin Brewer, B&G staff
October 21st week	Remove hanging baskets downtown for the winter	Matt Whitaker
November 19-20	Put up the large Christmas tree	B&G staff, Events staff, Kevin Brewer
November 21-22	Decorate the large Christmas tree	B&G staff, Events staff, Kevin Brewer
November 25-26	Put out Christmas tree clusters	B&G staff, Events staff, Kevin Brewer
November 26-27 tentative	Hang wreaths downtown and big swags	Linden Garden Club, Public Services, Beautification Committee
November date to be determined	Hang swags on the sign posts	Pinehurst Garden Club members
December 6	Christmas tree lighting	Events staff, B&G staff
December date to be determined	Christmas Decorating Contest judging	To be Determined
January 2-3	Take down Christmas tree and tree clusters	B&G staff, Events staff
January 2 tentative	Take down wreaths	Linden Garden Club, Public Services, Beautification members
January date to be determined	Take down swags	Pinehurst Garden Club

V. Beautification Grant-

a) New applications: No report

VI. Old Business -

a) Litter Campaign

There was discussion as to whether this campaign is something to take on or should we continue as before. Questions arose as to what various groups are doing now and whether this is really a role for this group. Bert and Jeff both noted that it would take time and volunteer hours to create and maintain a litter subcommittee. Molly has made many contacts over time and has some ideas of the role of various groups. Suggestions were offered: Kevin suggested that publicity will help. Dee proposed setting specific dates quarterly for residents and perhaps hand out bags for collecting. Bert volunteered to be on a committee of three if two more members are found.

b) Projects Update

• Hwy 5 Projects

- Plant bed @ Elmore – More grass on right side of Blake Ave? Kevin said that there is no irrigation on that side.
- Corner areas at Hwy 5 and Lake Hills/Monticello - Molly asked if we could have a plan. Jeff suggested there could be a discussion when they meet with DOT on September 3.
- Signal @ Hwy 5/Cherokee and Hwy 5 at Hwy 2 NE/NW ground cover. A group met to discuss possibilities and will have a plan for fall.
- Railroad Trestle on Hwy 5 – Jeff is still working on getting another bid on concrete to have it fixed.
- Hwy 5 from Hwy 211 to MacDonald – Right-of-way plantings connecting the intersection down to existing plantings. Jeff noted that this will be a topic to discuss at the Sept. 3 meeting with DOT. Our part would be to connect irrigation.
- Next Phase on Hwy 211 Corridor – Murdocksville Intersection and roadside – Another topic for discussion at the September 3rd meeting.

c) Other Items:

Bert suggested that our committee take note of a section of the draft Comprehensive Plan about gateways to Pinehurst.

VII. New Business

- a) Possibility of Magnolia walkways from Azalea to Chinquapin and Chinquapin to McCaskill? Neighbors would like improvements. Molly asked about sidewalks in the future and noted that perhaps we could help with plantings.**
- b) Other This fall there will be a tree planning update.**
- c) Bert gave Melissa information for the September Newsletter to let the public know about the expansion of the Christmas Decoration Contest. He will keep us updated.**

VIII. Meetings of BC are held the first Monday of the months indicated at 3:30 PM.

- a) Next Meeting Dates: September 9, October 7, November 4, December 2. 2020 – January 6, February 3, March 2, April 6, May 4.**

IX. Comments from attendees.

Two guests, Nicole Dunstan and Marty McKenzie, gave a presentation of their idea of turning the alley behind the Roast Office and alongside Drum and Quill into a walkway. There was time for questions and discussion. Molly asked about it being private property and our money is public village money and suggested the possibility of a public/private partnership. Molly sees it as an interesting project. She suggested they complete an application to begin discussion.

X. Motion to Adjourn.

Bert moved to adjourn the meeting and Dee seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.