

Beautification Committee
September 12, 2022
Council Chambers
3:30 PM



Minutes

- **Call to Order:** Janet Called meeting to order at 3:35
- **Attendees:** Mike Apke, Kevin Brewer, Janice Cantelou, Sara Copeland, Janet Farrell, Kim Gilley, Brenda Harvey, Jane Hogeman, Dee Johnson, Chris Jones, Deirdre MacNeil, Lorelei Milan, Tony Persico, Pat Pizzella, Molly Rowell.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Dee moved to accept the minutes and Molly seconded the motion. The minutes were approved
- **Budget-**
 Budget for 2022-23
 We are a month into our fiscal year with no outlays yet. The budget was approved.

- **Calendar**

Date	Action	People Involved
September 15	Spring plant order	Garden Club, Matt Whitaker, Kevin Brewer
September 29	Plant containers downtown (Pine Branch) and stacked stone planters.	Garden Club-Pine Branch, Bart Jr., Kevin Brewer, Matt Whitaker-Green Haven
October 3rd week	Plant Gateway signs	B&G Staff
October 18	Planting Day downtown	Joanne Valdes, Matt Whitaker-Green Haven, Kevin Brewer, B&G staff to unload plants. Garden Club Members
October 17th week	Plant annuals in Tuft's Park	Kevin Brewer, B&G staff
October 17th week	Remove hanging baskets downtown for the winter	Matt Whitaker
November 14	Put up the large Christmas tree	B&G staff, Events staff, Kevin Brewer
November 14-16	Decorate the large Christmas tree	B&G staff, Events staff, Kevin Brewer
November 16-18	Put out Christmas tree clusters	B&G staff, Events staff, Kevin Brewer
November 15, (Rain date 16 th)	Hang wreaths downtown and big swags	Linden Garden Club, Public Services, Beautification Committee
November 17	Hang swags on the signposts	Pinehurst Garden Club members

December 2	Christmas tree lighting	Events staff, B&G staff
TBD	Christmas Decorating Contest judging	Amy McKenzie, Guest Judges
January 3-4	Take down Christmas tree and tree clusters	B&G staff, Events staff
TBD	Take down wreaths	Linden Garden Club, Public Services, Beautification members
TBD	Take down swags	Pinehurst Garden Club

The dates to be determined will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Beautification Grant

No new applications. Closing out previous grants.

Old Business -

- Wall at McKenzie & Rt. 5 – The wall has been removed – this item is complete.
- Railroad trestle – Jeff received a couple of quotes for painting the wing walls on the RR trestle. Traffic control, DOT, and the RR still have to be consulted on how this work might occur. Chris agreed to ask the USGA if they will be willing to give money towards the RR painting project. A contractor will be used for traffic control. If painting moves forward, it won't be for several months. Mike indicated that he will be doing brush control in that area and has let the RR know.
- Landscape Improvements to connect HWY 5 / 211 intersection to area near McDonald Rd – Kevin stated that DOT does the landscaping. Kevin got bids for irrigation and has posted \$9,640 to the budget for that work which should start around October 3rd.
- Pinehurst South Landscape Improvements (Monticello) – This is in the budget and will include the area by Blake Blvd. It was noted that there is limited space between the road and railroad.
- Report from Business Guild – Kim reported that “open late ‘til 8” concluded in August. She also stated that the BG has some funding and would be interested in more information to assist with the purchase of a new bench.
- Status of the Village Landscaping Consultant McAdams Downtown Amenity Action Plan - The plan was presented to Council during the August 9th work session. BC members had difficulty with the video. An additional landscaping request for ~10 areas in the village was sent to the consultant mid-August. Pending.
- Cost of Christmas swags and bows – We previously voted by email to accept Hollyfield's estimate. The new swags will be ~\$89 and Hollyfield will make them to match existing.
- Christmas Updates – The email for entries is ready: emailchristmasprize2022@gmail.com Amy will manage the Christmas contest. Discussion will take place next meeting. The wreaths will not require fluffing before they are brought to the village for hanging. The lights cannot be tested in advance as there is no power in the storage building. Janet reminded we will need volunteers. 2021 had a team of 21 and the work took ~ 1.5 hours.

- Warren H, Manning Award –Janet shared the draft of the award in advance of the meeting. Input during the meeting include 1) Beautification Committee members are exempt from the award, 2) add a \$50 gift certificate to a local garden center, 3) the minimum time for the recipients to display the W H Manning sign is 30 days. Motion was made by Molly to adopt the Manning Award and seconded by Tony. Janet, Dee, Joanne, and Brenda are on the committee.
- ROW 100 Ritter Rd; site of 1900 Solar Eclipse Marker. Mike shared the survey conducted at 100 Ritter shows the eclipse monument is clearly within the village right of way along with part of the Gooding’s brick wall. On the Chinquapin side, part of the brick walkway is outside of the right of way on private property. He shared he had a conversation with the property owner and that some tree work was done on the large oak tree. A motion was made by Dee and seconded by Tony to recognize the historic significance, adopt the right of way as a BC initiative, conduct renovation pruning, and clean up the area. A recommendation was made to investigate placing a historic marker on the resort side of Ritter to bring more attention to the site.
- SE Corner of Page Rd & 211. Molly shared her concerns with appearance. Kevin shared that is NCDOT and there is no irrigation at the site.
- Litter Update – Progress is being made. Mike reported that DOT support has improved and there was a Village of Pinehurst employee pick up day. Next report will be for Spring 2023.
- Volunteer Hours – Janet reminded members to post their volunteer hours in timecounts.org

New Business –

- Streetlight Policy – Janet stated that Doug Willardson asked for BC input on the streetlight policy. Team input asked that the policy be reviewed to ensure it allowed for additional walkway lighting from the public lot, lighting near parking areas on side streets, the addition of bollard lighting in some dark areas where walkways are not safe without a flashlight, and safety on Chinquapin from resort to village. Streetlighting and the general lighting situation was addressed by the consultant, McAdams in their Downtown Amenity Action Plan presentation.

Comments from attendees. Molly asked that the Jim Nash’s Celebrate Pinehurst be on the next agenda.

Motion to Adjourn. Tony moved to adjourn the meeting and Kevin seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

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

Meeting Dates 2022 –October 3, November 7, December 5

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