

**Beautification Committee
October 3, 2016
Village Hall
3:30 PM**

I. Call to Order. Rowell

Attendees: Molly Rowell, Brenda Lyne Blackwell, Kevin Brewer, Chris Burrows, Mary Hall Koontz, Walter Morgan, Lorraine Tweed, Peggy Johnson, Jeff Batton,

Announcements:

The village includes volunteers in their flu shot clinic. This year it is on Oct 19th from 8:30 to 9:30.

Lauren and Molly met regarding the volunteer applications and it is believed the committee chairman have been selected for the subcommittees. They are still working on the PAC chairman. Committee chairman must be approved by the Council and that should be completed soon. Molly will check on current members of the Beautification Committee

II. Approval of Minutes: Rowell

Kevin moved to accept the minutes and Brenda seconded. The minutes were approved.

III. Budget- Brewer

Some invoices on CCNC project are still due. By next meeting we should have a precise accounting.

IV. Calendar- Brewer

- Spring plant order is completed
- October 3-4 - Prep for the downtown containers
- October 6 - Pine Branch of Pinewild Garden Club will work on Planters. Molly will contact them.
- October 17 – Remove summer annuals and prep flower beds for fall annuals.
- October 18 – Planting day downtown. Plant annuals downtown, Village Hall and ellipse and Lost Tree.
- October 19 – Plant annuals in Tuft’s Park
- October 24th week – Remove hanging baskets downtown for winter.
- Nov. 17, 18 – Put up large Christmas tree
- Nov. 21st – Decorate the large Christmas tree and put out tree clusters that week.
- December 2 – Christmas tree lightning.

- Swags will go up by Dogwood Branch of the Pinehurst Garden Club. Kevin is ordering the tree clusters. Molly asked about the presents and Kevin will check on this. The new cluster will go on the island in front of the Theatre Building and the others are placed as in the past.

V. Beautification Grant- *Batton, Burrows, Tweed*

Nancy Maynard at Pinehurst Trace called Molly and had questions about the application online. Jeff noted that she was probably looking at the CAC rules. Beautification funds cannot apply to private property.

VI. Old Business - *Rowell*

1. Village Planting Day – October 18
2. Spring plant order – completed. Molly had made suggestions and Kevin noted that he has ordered some of her suggested plants.
3. Gateway signs project update –
 - Jeff stated that the CCNC site is now completed.
 - Kevin, Molly and Jeff have looked at all locations.
 - 15/501 below the circle has water problem (Southern Pines would be the source) and north of the circle has water nearby so that is still being checked out. It could create a challenge. There is the same problem for power south of the circle which may have to rely on solar light.
 - Power is available from Duke for all other locations.
 - Jeff said the paperwork piece is coming along for the remaining signs.
 - There was discussion about the logical steps from infrastructure to planting. Kevin said it is better to have the sign in place before the landscaping is completed.
4. Christmas decorations in the Village (Business Partners) – *Morgan – Blackwell*
Brenda talked with Marty McKenzie. The three arched windows and three windows above the door would be nice to light. Brenda asked if Walt would give an estimate. Jeff noted that we cannot use public funds for private property but business partners could be called upon to fund it. In the past the Business Partners may have provided the lights and we put them up. Molly asked if Brenda could meet with Nicole Dunston at the Business Partners to see if there is a solution. Molly said she would also contact the Pinehurst Garden Club about possibilities. Jeff asked to find out if the Business Partners are planning decorations on their own. He said there may be a problem with the Business Partners spending money on one business only. Options for suggestions were explored.
5. Collaboration Opportunity with Pinehurst Garden Club
Debbie Barr (President) wants to partner with us for a project. Molly asked what appropriate project could be considered to partner with an influx of funds? Jeff and Christ both mentioned Hwy 211 which could use a master plan and the DOT is interested in it. Walt, Molly and Kevin are on the committee to work with DOT. Walt mentioned the idea of raised beds on 211 near Rattlesnake to act as

a buffer. Jeff suggested to get the master plan for 211 and then ask the Pinehurst Garden Club their thoughts as to which part they would consider for partnering.

VII. New Business Rowell

1. New project possibilities

- Harness Track
- Community Rd. triangles (Manor Inn to Dundee)
- Longleaf & Spring Lake Circle in Village Acres. There is a voluntary Homeowners Association but no known Garden Club to care for it. Jeff talked with Kevin and Walt and they will create a plan for presentation to the committee for possible approval.
- Kevin is working on plans for the teardrop in front of the Villager Deli/ Red Door area. He is taking out the perennials and will go back to using more annuals. . His goal is more color in that area.

VIII. Comments from attendees.

Molly had closing thoughts. She has spoken with two people recently who both said that they come to the Village to get their "Pinehurst Fix"! This committee and the men who do this work are to be commended for providing the positive impact.

IX. Motion to Adjourn. Lorrain moved and Kevin seconded to adjourn at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Johnson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Peggy Johnson