

Beautification Committee
March 2, 2015
Council Conference Room
3:30 p.m.



MINUTES

Committee Members in Attendance: Chairman Molly Rowell, Walt Morgan, John Strickland, Chris Burrows, Jeff Batton, Brenda Lyne-Blackwell, Mary Hall-Koontz, Marylyn Bonville, Lorraine Tweed, Andy Wilkison.

Visitors: Council Member John Strickland.

Committee Members Absent: Virginia Fallon, Diane Halleen, Amy McKenzie, Linda Tucker.

I. Call to Order. Rowell

Chairperson Molly Rowell called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Minutes: *Wilkison*

The minutes of the February 2, 2015 meeting were approved as submitted upon a motion by Mary Hall Koontz, seconded by Brenda Lyne Blackwell.

III. Budget- *Brewer and Rowell*

Kevin Brewer went over the status of the current year budget, and the proposed budget submittal for 2015-2016. The annual summary for 2014 was also gone over by Chairman and the committee, and it will be delivered to the Council. The committee decided to request an additional \$1,000.00 be added to the budget for 2015-2016 due to increasing costs.

IV. Calendar- *Brewer and Rowell*

The Chairman and the committee went over the current calendar. The committee decided that the committee would continue to meet on the first Monday, at 3:30 pm during the following months of the year: February, March, April, May, September, October, November and December. The committee will not meet in January, June, July and August.

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

Jeff Batton reported that there is no new information to convey regarding Beautification Grants.

VI. Things to Think about Discussion, *Rowell*

a) Do you wish to change sub-committee assignments?

The Committee decided to keep sub-committee assignments the same.

b) Christmas suggestions – Big packages under main tree; more lights in Tufts Park; put up lights at gateways to Pinehurst; tree decoration contest; seeking bigger clients for wreath sales.

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The committee decided that a few additional boxes will be built for display around the big Christmas tree. Additional lights will be acquired for display in the shrubbery along Tufts Park where power is available. Upon the motion of Andy Wilkison, seconded by Brenda Lyne Blackwell, the committee voted unanimously not to conduct wreath sales in 2015. The committee decided not to plant pansies in 2015, due to harsh winters adversely affecting their appearance, and to not display hanging baskets in the winter due to the difficulty in maintaining their appearance. Kevin Brewer and Chris Burrows will investigate and report back to the committee the options available for hanging baskets and the planters during the winter, and alternative plant choices for the baskets and planters in fall and summer. Brenda Lyne Blackwell and Mary Hall Koontz will investigate with Walt Morgan the display of larger wreaths on the decorative lamp posts. They will also investigate options for winter display on the decorative lamp posts other than the hanging baskets.

John Strickland and Melissa Holt from the Deer Task Force will meet with Molly, Susan Strine, and Linda Querec from the Greenway Wildlife Habitat Committee this week to discuss a workshop and other ways to inform Pinehurst residents about things they can do to reduce deer damage to landscaping.

- VII. Project at the intersection of Shaw Road, Ritter Road and NC 5.**
Bart O'Connor presented a concept plan for the triangle at this intersection he developed in concert with Walt Morgan. Plant choices comply with the Village's planting guide. The scope of the irrigation work to be done in conjunction with this project is still to be determined. Upon the motion of Marylyn Bonville, seconded by Chris Burrows, the committee voted unanimously to recommend the Village Council approve of the project, once the scope of the irrigation work is determined.
- VIII. Other Business**
Chairman Rowell requested volunteers to assist with planting at the intersection of Fields Road and NC 2, and at the intersection of NC 2 and NC 5, on the afternoon of May 5, 2015.
- IX. Next Meeting Date- April 6, 2015**
The next meeting of the committee will be at 3:30 pm on April 6, 2015.
- X. Comments from attendees.**
There were none.
- XI. Handouts: Updated Members List, Budget, Calendar**
- XII. Motion to Adjourn.**

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Andy Wilkison moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Walt Morgan and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

**Respectively submitted by:
Andy Wilkison**