

Beautification Committee
May 4, 2015
Council Conference Room
3:30 p.m.



MINUTES

Committee Members in Attendance: Chairman Molly Rowell, Chris Burrows, Jeff Batton, Brenda Lyne-Blackwell, Mary Hall-Koontz, Lorraine Tweed, Linda Tucker, Kevin Brewer, Diane Halleen, Amy McKenzie, Kim Gilley

Visitors: Councilmember John Strickland, Lauren Craig

Committee Members Absent: Marylyn Bonville, Virginia Fallon, Walt Morgan, Randy Murzyn, Andy Wilkison

I. Call to Order.

Chairperson Molly Rowell called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Minutes: *Wilkison (Craig)*

The minutes of the April 6, 2015 meeting were approved as amended upon a motion by Lorraine Tweed, seconded by Linda Tucker.

III. Budget- *Brewer and Rowell*

Kevin Brewer went over the status of the budget noting \$4,451 remains in the budget but staff is waiting for several invoices to clear from the recent projects along Highway 5. The Chairman shared handouts of photos from these recent projects and encouraged the committee members to drive by these sites.

IV. Calendar- *Brewer and Rowell*

The Chairman and the committee went over the current calendar. Kevin Brewer noted the containers and the hanging baskets were completed last week and Planting Day is tomorrow, May 5.

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

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

VI. Old Business, *Rowell*

a) Special Committee Reports

a. Wreath Changes and Alternatives for Baskets in Winter- Brenda Blackwell, Mary Hall Koontz

Brenda Blackwell and Mary Hall Koontz reported they have found a perfect 48 inch wreath for the poles that is \$30 per wreath. Ms. Blackwell noted the poles need four wreaths each and a large bow for the wreath could also be made for \$7.50 per bow. Ms. Blackwell estimates \$6,000 for 200 wreaths and \$1,500 for bows. Upon a motion by Brenda Blackwell, seconded by Diane Halleen, all members of the Beautification Committee approved the purchase of these wreaths and bows 11-0.

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b. Transition Seasonal Plantings- Kevin Brewer, Chris Burrows

i. Mums in the fall and bulbs in early spring

The team discussed the concept for adding mums to the containers in the fall and Chris Burrows reported that the one gallon mums are approximately \$6.50 each and the garden mums are \$9.00 each. Kevin Brewer estimated this project to be approximately \$600 using three of the \$6.50 mums in the containers. Upon a motion by Linda Tucker, seconded by Lorraine Tweed, the committee approved the mums concept in the fall in the prominent containers with a vote of 11-0. The committee discuss the bulb concept for the early spring and noted they are priced at \$300 per 1,000 bulbs. Upon a motion by Kim Gilley, seconded by Brenda Blackwell, the committee approved the use of pansies in the containers and the bulbs can be done as a test in four pots around the clock for early spring plantings by a vote of 11-0.

b) Ritter/Shaw/Hwy 5 Triangle Completed

a. The Chairman shared a handout of photos.

c) Lake Hills at Hwy 5 completed

a. The Chairman shared a handout of photos.

d) Containers planted

a. It was noted the hanging baskets are back up and the containers have been planted in the Village Center.

e) Village Planting Day- May 5th- 8:30 AM

The group will be meeting at the clock by the flagpole downtown at 8:30am on May 5 to get assignments for plantings. Anyone is welcome to attend.

f) Planting Field Rd. at Midland followed by Hwy 5 at McKenzie (at track viaduct) 1:30 PM

Committee members who have volunteered for this are Andy, Marylyn, Linda, Molly, Amy; plus five volunteers from Linden Garden Club. The committee discussed parking and reminded everyone to stay safe walking to these planting sites.

VII. New Business

a) Brenda Blackwell suggested that the Village of Pinehurst not use banners like the other towns and the committee gave a consensus for this.

b) American Flag Display- W. Morgan

Molly Rowell explained that Walt Morgan presented an idea similar to Charleston, SC that would be an American flag display throughout the Village for Memorial Day, 4th of July, and Veterans Day. The cost would be

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approximately \$20/flag. Molly noted that Walt will be passing this idea to the Village Council for their opinion soon.

c) Deer Workshop

Councilmember Strickland shared information about an upcoming educational workshop in September on deer which is a result from the Deer Management Task Force and the team has also created a brochure of information.

VIII. Next Meeting Date- September 14, 2015

The next meeting of the committee will be at 3:30 pm on September 14, 2015.

IX. Comments from attendees.

There were none.

X. Handouts: Ritter/Shaw/Hwy 5 and Lake Hills/Hwy5 pictures; Deer Workshop Flyer

XI. Motion to Adjourn.

Lorraine Tweed moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Linda Tucker and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:30p.m.

Respectively submitted by: *Lauren Craig*
Lauren Craig, Village Clerk