

Beautification Committee December 7, 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, Kevin Brewer, Diane Halleen, Ginsey Fallon, Marylyn Bonville, Walt Morgan

Committee Members Absent: Kim Gilley, Amy McKenzie, Randy Murzyn

I. Call to Order.

Chairperson Molly Rowell called the meeting to order. Crew members from Walt Morgan's team and Kevin Brewer's team were present and were recognized for their contributions to the Beautification Committee's projects. The Committee thanked them for their efforts. Refreshments were provided.

II. Approval of Minutes: McKenzie

The minutes of previous meetings were unavailable due to the absence of the secretary.

III. Budget- Brewer and Rowell

Kevin Brewer went over the status of the budget. Wreath supplies – \$75.90; Final payment for wreaths - \$2000; Decorations Contest expenses - \$286.22; Wreath storage rack pending - \$555.29. Operating budget expenses to date (including pending) = \$6,742.41. Remaining operating budget = \$7257.59 plus \$5000 Grant money.

IV. Calendar- Brewer and Rowell

The Chairman presented the proposed meeting schedule for calendar year 2016. The meeting schedule was approved.

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. New Wreaths - Brenda Blackwell, Mary Hall Koontz

Brenda Blackwell and Mary Hall Koontz reported that the new wreaths have received positive responses from several sources. They are perfectly proportioned and beautiful. Molly Rowell noted that it took over 160 volunteer man-hours to prepare for the hanging of the wreaths (not

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counting the man-hours of Walt Morgan's team). Blackwell, Koontz, and Rowell worked with Janet Farrell, Sandy Garratt, and Delores Flashman from Linden Garden Club (Pinewild) as well as Wrenn Reynolds and Judy Auch from Pinehurst Garden Club.

b. Wreaths on Clock - Walt Morgan

Walt secured two wreaths and bows for the clock in Front of Village Deli. These too added beauty to the area.

c. Decorations Contest - Lorraine Tweed

Lorraine Tweed reported that this year's Decoration Contest for the old town area of the Village was very successful.

- Donated prizes: Pinehurst Resort, Drum & Quill Publick House, Theo's Taverna, The Magnolia Inn, and Dugan's Pub.
- Judges: Mayor Nancy Fiorillo, Bill "Billy Bag O Donuts' Brown, Andy Wilkson, Scott Brewer, Cathy Parsons.
- iii. Awards: 3rd Place: Teramaswu and Fisher "Little House"; 2nd Place: Dugan's Pub and Old Catholic Church; 1st Place: Cooper & Bailey and 400 Linden Road.

d. Business Partners' Decorations

Rowell requested feedback on the decorated trees placed in different areas by the Business Partners. Many Committee members had not seen the trees. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

b) Leader Responsibilities

- a. The Chairman shared a job description for the Committee leader.
- **b.** Committee members were reminded that the Chairman needs additional assistance. Team members were encouraged to offer suggestions.
- c. This topic will appear on the February agenda.

c) Collaboration with CCNC

- **a.** The entrance planting proposal approved by the Committee at our last meeting was shared with CCNC Garden Club.
- **b.** They will share this with their members and respond to us.

d) Corner of McKenzie and Hwy 5

a. Additional azaleas have been planted. Also, NCDOT donated 47 flats of flowers, and these have planted at this location.

VII. New Business

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- a) Adopt a Plant Bed.
 - **a.**One of the initiatives listed by the Village Council for this year was the 'Adopt a Plant Bed' program.
 - **b.**The Committee discussed possible locations for this program. Hwy 5 at Hwy 211, Fields Rd at Midland Rd, Barrett Rd Triangle, and Ritter Rd Triangle were mentioned as possibilities.
 - **c.** The Committee also noted that locations and expectations for adopters need clear definition.
 - d. This will appear on the February agenda.
- VIII. Next Meeting Date- February 1 2016
 - IX. Comments from attendees.

There were none.

- X. Handouts: Meeting Calendar; Leader Responsibilities
- XI. Motion to Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45p.m.

Respectively submitted by:

Molly Rowell for Amy McKenzie, Secretary