

**Beautification Committee
March 4, 2019
Village Hall
3:30 PM**

Minutes

I. Call to Order: Rowell

Molly called the meeting to order at 3:33 and introduced the committee members to our guests from Aberdeen Beautification Committee.

Attendees: Mike Apke, Jeff Batton, John Bouldry, Kevin Brewer, Bert Higgins, Peggy Johnson, Amy McKenzie, Molly Rowell, Connie Welk.

Guests: Members of the Aberdeen Beautification Commission - Dorothy Self, Janet Peele, Dene Moon, Elease Goodwin, Amanda Robbins and from The Aberdeen Planning Dept. - Justin Westbrook and Kathy Blake

II. Approval of Minutes:

Bert moved to approve the minutes and Connie seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

III. Budget-

Kevin shared the current budget with no change. He noted the agreed upon reallocation of \$6840 for the tree groupings on Hwy. 211 which comes out of the Beautification budget, leaving a balance of \$6414.29.

Kevin also shared the proposed budget for next year and noted the new funds for the future revised Christmas contest.

McKenzie and 211 heading east to gun club rattlesnake. Trees will match those on the other side.

IV. Calendar-

Kevin shared the calendar – Nothing has changed.

Date	Action	People Involved
April 22 nd Week	Hanging baskets go back up	Matt Whitaker-Green Haven
April 25 th	Plant containers downtown Plant stacked stone planters	Pine Branch of Garden Club, Matt Whitaker-Green Haven, Kevin, Bart Jr.
April 29 th Week	Plant flowers in Tuft's Park Prep flower beds for planting	B & G staff
May 2 nd	Plant Gateway signs	Kevin, Adopting Partners, and BC Activities Team
May 7 th	Planting Day downtown/ Village Hall Ellipse/ Woman's Exchange Planting St. Andrews Circle	Pinehurst Garden Club/B & G staff St. Andrews group

	Planting Oakmont	Lost Tree/Oakmont Garden Club
	Planting Fields Rd.	Better Homes & Gardens/Amy McKenzie

V. Beautification Grant-

The No. 6 HOA should be asking for a grant to beautify their entrance at the north end. NCDOT will have the area surveyed to define the planting area.

VI. Old Business

a) Litter Campaign – March 9

- Molly noted that there are several volunteers for Saturday
- Bert and Carol will work on Monticello Road and Cindy Myrick and group will do the area around Pinehurst Trace on another day

b) Projects Update

- Hwy 5 Projects
 - Plant bed @ Elmore - finish planting – Ideas but no plants yet (2-3 weeks)
 - Signal @ Hwy 5/Cherokee and Hwy 5 at Hwy 2 NE/NW ground cover – no updates
 - Railroad Trestle on Hwy 5 – Still in negotiations
 - Hwy 5 from Hwy 211 to MacDonald – Right-of-way plantings - no update
- Hwy 211 Projects
 - Hwy 211/Hwy 5 Entrance Enhancements
 - Hwy 211 from Gateway Sign to Hwy 5 - tree planting
 - Next Phase on Hwy 211 Corridor – Murdocksville Intersection and roadside
 - Hwy 211 Median from Hwy 5 to Rattlesnake – **DONE! Thanks, NCDOT**
 - Hwy 15-501 Median – **DONE! Thanks, NCDOT**

c) Other Items:

Molly suggested that we could consider the area around the new brewery for a future project.

Molly encourages all members to take time to thank members of Buildings and Grounds as well as members of our garden club partners for the work on plantings. She also suggested thanking local businesses for helping to beautify the Village.

VII. New Business - no new business

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

- a) **Next Meeting Dates: April 1, May 6, No Meetings in June and July, August 5, September 9, October 7, November 4, December 2.**

Comments from attendees. Jeff invited the Aberdeen Beautification Commission members to share their role and their upcoming projects which they did. They in turn invited members of our Committee to join their luncheon meetings on the third Tuesday of the month. Molly invited them to think about opportunities and ways that we can share and partner as neighboring communities.

IX. Motion to Adjourn. Connie moved to adjourn and Peggy seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.