

CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY MARCH 7, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: by Tom Yaschen at 7:01

ROLL CALL: Tom Yaschen, Marilyn Sypolt, Sue Grimaudo, Michele Stearns, Michele Ficht, Richard Piekarski
Absent - Marlene Krul (on leave of absents till September)

Visitor - Dana Schafer

Motion to Approve Agenda: by Tom, approved by Michele F. and second by Sue

Motion to Approve Minutes from 2/1/12: by Tom, approved by Marilyn and second by Michele F.

(with the exception: Rich has asked to have all minutes sent to him first to reformat to the standards of the Township)

Old Business:

A. Beautification Week 2012 - all a go, flyer done by Park/Rec Staff

B. Flower Contest - good to go, also done by Park/Rec staff

C. B.B.B.Contest - good to go, also done by Park/Rec staff

(Rich pointed out that there are still 3-4 houses that need to be hung up from last year.)

Tom will put a email out to the committee member to find a day that suits all or some to be present for hanging.

New Business:

A. BCSEM March Meeting - Hosted at Windmill Pointe Dr. in Grosse Pointe Park, \$13.50 to attend on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 9:30am. Tom, Sue, and Marilyn will be attending. Tom has sent in the registration and money. (Rich informed the committee that we were accepted to host BCSEM meeting in March 2013. Plan to be discussed in future meetings.)

B. Beautification Week Trees - will be ordered by Sue from Macomb Conservation District. 75 Colarado Blue Spruce, and Yellow Birch, White Birch and River Birch will be purchased. Not to exceed budget of \$125.00.

C. Membership Drive - Tom's goal is to recruit more members. The committee is 2 members short at this time.

D. Flyers for TV Bulletin Board - All flyers have been approved and are now on Channel 6 and 12 at this time.

Visitor Comments: Dana Schafer is a Master Gardener and works at the Macomb YMCA. There she has started a program for Junior Master Gardeners and has brought information with her to see if Chesterfield's Park/Rec. would like to start a JMG program with in Chesterfield. If that would be something Park/Rec. would like to take on she asked if the Beautification Committee could help in sponsoring the children so they my get community service hours needed to complete their certificates of JMG. These community hours are in Planting, Weeding, and Watering. Children earn the hours by their age. (4 yr old-4hrs 10 yr old-10hrs and so on)

Michele F. asked about Fee's - we could charge from \$10-\$20 per child.

Michele S. asked about Supply list - many things from cups, dirt, seeds, paper supply's etc.

Rich asked about fees paid to Dana for teaching - was not sure of that amount, would discuss more if plan was accepted.

Tom thought the idea was great, in getting young people and parents involved. If project was a go, that the members of the Beautification Committee could rotate the help efforts to the JMG's. At this time Dana's class for JMG at the YMCA will start in April for preschoolers.

Rich took all the information regarding JMG that Dana provided, and he will look into the matter more thoroughly.

Comments from Committee: Tom asked Michele F. if the Arbor Day was a go with the board. Michele was sure it was, but would check.

Tom also asked to have help with setting up a tent and passing out the Beautification Committee information flyer at the Heritage Days in the historical village on Sept. 15 & 16 2012 from 9am - 6pm and also on the Village Tour Day July 8th 2012 from 1-3pm, will discuss more in future meetings.

Marilyn had a message from the Adopt-a-Spot keepers of the Novak slot. If the Township would be putting mulch on that area, (seeing that it is the back door to the Township Office), because they have already put mulch on the Front Flower Bed.

Marilyn has also asked if Park/Rec could redo the Adopt-a-Spot brochure, seeing that they have done such a wonderful job on all the others flyers

Rich showed everyone the draft of the compost information sheet, all looked great a go to print for packets. There will be 25-50 sheets of flyers/brochures for the packets: **B.B.B, Adopt-a-Spot, Compost, Need You, Shelby Twp. Recycling, Beautification Week.**

Next Meeting April 4, 2012

Meeting Adjourned at 8:12pm - Motion by Tom, approved by Sue and second by Michele S.

Minutes by Sue Grimaudo
3/12/12 @ 2:30pm