

**Chesterfield Township Beautification Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday May 2, 2012**

**Call to Order at : 7:06**

**Roll Call** - Tom Yaschen, Marilyn Sypolt, Sue Grimaudo, Michele Ficht, Michele Stearns, Marlene Herzog, John Herzog

Absent - Richard Piekarski and Marlene Krul -loa)

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by Tom, approved by Michele S. and seconded by Michele F.

**Approval of Minutes from 4/4/12 :** Motion made by Tom, approved by Marilyn and seconded by Marlene H.

**Old Business:**

**A.** Beautification Week Update - Sue has tree's will bring on 5/17. Check for flowers will be written on Friday to place order for pick-up. Marlene informed us of two more flower contest application. Arrive at 9am for the 5/17 Plant Day. Marilyn has 47 flyer packs ready to pass out. Tree's will be passed out from 2-4pm. Flower's will be picked up by Michele S. and John from Van Thommes at 8:30am - 9 flats Geraniums (red), 4 flats Marigolds (yellow), 4 flats Alyssum (white), 6 flats Petunias (ultra violet). Michele S. donation Preen.

**B.** Adopt-a-Spot - Tom has tried to contacted the Brownies troop leader (Tina Williams) regarding helping plant/weed at Veterans Park, need to speak with her if Brownies troop will continue the Adopted spot for this year. A Thank You letter went out to all the Adopt-a-Spot applicants from 2011, as asking if they will be continuing or changing their spot for 2012. Marilyn informed us that the Novak spot was cleaned up well. Marilyn will update the window flyer. Tom has asked how many spots are Adopted, Marilyn will look into the extract number.

**C.** BCSEM Meeting Hosted by Chesterfield - Michele S. has asked , she must see the BCSEM guide line for hosting. Tom has not yet been able to get answers from Bob, Tom will keep trying to get the information. Michele S. has passed out an outline of possible locations for March 21,2013 meeting to host. Accommodate up to 100-125 people (plus parking), continental breakfast, beverage service & catered lunch. Must be within the Township and in an aesthetically pleasing environment. Businesses visited for BCSEM venue are:

- 1.) Salt River -
- 2.) Louis Chop House
- 3.) Scalawags
- 4.) Giuliano's
- 5.) Zuccaro's

**Speakers:**

- a.) Carol Van Thomme was asked regarding Heirloom Garden Varietals/Herbs she will get back with us.
- b.) Beth Wallace National Wildlife Federation.
- c.) Dr. David Robers of MSU Insect & Disease Control.
- d.) Steve Nikkla Wildlife, Eye of the Gardener and Eight Months of Color.
- e.) Soil Dr. Earth Lisa Grant.
- f.) Invasive Species MI dept. of Agriculture & Rural Development.
- g.) Frederik Meijer Gardens
- h.) Amy Sawade Public Rel. Mgr.

We will need 2 speakers, Announcer, Historian of Chesterfield, Township Supervisor, ext... of ideas, center pieces, prizes, ...

**D.** Junior Master Gardener Program : Richard still undecided.

**E.** Flowers for Beautification week: John and Michele S. picking up and bringing to the Township Office at 8:30am

**F.** Membership - Tom updated Need You Flyer

**Comments from Committee:** **BCSEM meeting** anyone wanting to go please sent in form by date listed , meeting held at Henry Ford home with Tour.

**Tom** is making a donation to the Historical Village by purchasing a Brick in the Beautification's name, trying to fit all the letters in space given to say CHESTERFIELD BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE 2012. This is at the price of \$50 for 3 lines.

**Tom** has hung more bird houses at Veterans Memorial Park and at the Township Offices.

**Tom** wants to plant butterfly bushes at the Historical village.

**Sue** has asked to pull our thoughts together on how to inform people on the importance of picking up after their Dogs when walking through the parks at the Township Offices.

**Tom** has updated the Committee roster.

**Next Meeting June 6, 2012**

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:00pm** - Motion by Tom, approved by Michele F. and seconded by Sue.

Minutes by Sue Grimaudo

5/13/12 @ 12pm

Revised 6/6/12.