

CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE & TREE BOARD MINUTES

April 2, 2014

Regular Meeting at 7PM

Chesterfield Township Offices Building Department Wing (47275 Sugarbush)

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Tom Yaschen was ill and Sue Grimaudo called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present – Wayne Nemeth, Sue Grimaudo, John Herzog, Cindy Berry, and Richard Piekarski.

Guest: Scott Sheffield (a former member of the Beautification Committee years ago. He is now back in town and ready to help). Excused – Tom Yaschen, Marlene Herzog and Karen Floyd.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Sue G., seconded by Cindy B., and carried to approve the Agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Sue G., seconded by Wayne N., and carried to accept the Minutes of March 11, 2014 as e-mailed and attached.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A)** Brain Storming for new ideas (Partnering Parks) – Cindy B. will bring further information about a “Partnering for Parks” at our next meeting. Tabled until May 7th.
- B)** Beautification Week Program – Committee members are asked to meet at the Township Office on May 15th at 9:00 a.m. to plant flowers and distribute trees to the Community. Wayne N. could bring mulch if needed. Sue G. will bring the trees and order the same flowers from Van Tomme’s as last year which will be planted from Van Tommes. John H. and Sue G. will pick them up at 8:30 a.m. that a.m. More information to come at our next meeting on May 7th.
- C)** Arbor Day & National Volunteer Week Resolutions – Cindy B. suggested Tom Y. may want to delay his presentation until a later Township meeting given what is on the Township Meeting Agenda for that evening. Cindy B. could put him on the April 21 Agenda as the first item of business.
- D)** Tree Mulching Program Flyer – Ready for printing, Sue G. had a sample from Tom Y’s e-mail. It looks great. What a benefit for the trees in Chesterfield Twp. as a Tree City USA for a second year.
- E)** Adopt-A-Spot Flyer /Signs – Graph Ink told Sue G. they could print the plastic “brass lookalike” Adopt-a-Spot at \$8-\$12 a sign. Wayne N. asked if there are other “Chesterfield Township Signs” like coming into the Township on Gratiot. He wants to ask a business to sponsor such. Great idea! However, we also have many current spots to be adopted. Perhaps a sponsor will do both? Scott S. asked how we promote this opportunity for others to get involved. Marlene pointed out that the new Associate Editor of the Bay Voice is Katelyn Larese. The Voice also has a Community Calendar Page which will post our upcoming events at no cost. Richard P. will have Amanda W. send a press release regarding upcoming meetings and events.
- F)** Sunflower Seeds, T Shirts, Bags,, Garden Flag. Tom Y. has prototypes of the shirts, bags, and garden flags ready for our review from Graph Ink. Prices still need to be determined for t-shirts, etc. Larger sizes over 3x will be added cost. More to come in our next meeting including a direction on sunflower seeds.
- G)** Lapel Pins – Tabled until the May 7th Meeting.
- H)** Status of 50 Year Plaque – Richard P. has it completed. Looks absolutely

tremendous! It still needs to be determined where the framed plaque should be hung.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) Review of Spring BCSM meeting – Tabled until May 7th when Tom Y. is back.
- B) ID Tags – Call the police department to schedule a morning appointment and to make sure the camera is in the office.
- C) Membership – Welcome to Scott S. An article will also go into the Voice as a recruitment piece encouraging visitors/members. Also ask Amanda W's to include in the press release.
- D) The Wall /Bench/ Plaque – Wayne N. wants to know the size of the bench should be. John H. suggested he do the same bench he did for Grosse Pointe Park, which was gorgeous. The group concurred. A plaque also explained it was one of the first Ash trees taken down and should be added for the Chesterfield Township bench.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE: Scott S. will start as a non-voting member for the present.

NEXT MEETING DATE: May 7, 2014

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Wayne N. to adjourn at 8:08 p.m., seconded by Sue G., and carried.