

# **CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE & TREE BOARD MINUTES - February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**Regular Meeting at 7PM**

**Chesterfield Township Offices Building Department Wing (47275 Sugarbush)**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Tom Yaschen, Wayne Nemeth, Marlene Herzog, John A. Herzog, Chris Bell, a Trustee from the Township, and Richard Piekarski from the Parks and Recreation Department.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Tom Yaschen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Dr. Herzog called the roll call listed in those present above.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion made by Marlene Herzog, seconded by Tom Yaschen and carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion made to approve the October 2014 Minutes by Wayne Nemeth, seconded by Tom Yaschen, and carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**A)** Adopt –A-Spot Signs (2015) – The sign for Brandenburg Park noting the Herzogs has held up quite well in the winter. Tom Yaschen noted that very few people have adopted flowerbeds and wants to encourage the Township Council to do more. Wayne Nemeth explained that there are a number of Vendors who would want to help but have had a difficult time with the Township getting approval for their business. Can more be done to facilitate their willingness to help? The signs we did as a sample have held up very well. We have many openings for help with “Adopt A Spot” flowerbeds. The Committee agreed that we need to be recruiting for this vital service.

**B)** Pumpkin Carving Contest – Only one submission which Richard Pierkarski awarded some left over Stevie’B’s gift cards that were still good.

**C)** T-shirts, Bags, Garden Flags – Tom Yaschen will be inventorying what is in stock and will be ordering more Garden Flags for sale.

**D)** Parks & Recreation Dept/Summer Jamboree at Brandenburg Park – The Beautification Committee will have two booths at this event on 8/29-30/2015. Wayne Nemeth volunteered to help Tom Yaschen with the end of the month meetings for this event. The Committee could sell some of our inventory at this event along with a contest to name an “official tree.” Marlene Herzog shared the sunflower puzzle and crystal watering can with a sunflower that could be used as prizes for our contest. Marlene Herzog will look into the cost of ordering such for the event and will keep Richard Piekarski informed for any money that could be expended for two of each. T-shirts and flags could also be used for prizes. The two booths would also need to be reserved/paid for at \$50 each (unless already done by Chris Galatis from the Township).

**E)** The Wall/Bench/Plaque (Tree City USA) (March 2015) – Wayne Nemeth reported the bench is ready to go and asked if we wanted the supports painted. He asked about painting the supports and the group concurred that black would look good. It will be here at our next meeting. Super!

**F)** Bridge Decorations – Tom Yaschen thanked John and Marlene Herzog along with Karen Floyd for putting the decorations up. The decorations were taken down by the Township; however, the beautiful bows were too beat up to save. The 40 outstanding bows were

purchased from the Historical Commission.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A)** Tree City USA 2015 - Tom Yaschen has submitted all the paperwork to the DNR and is assuming we will get that status for the third year. Certifications come out in April, 2015. Great work Tom! Tom noted that Meldrums also donated extra trees and a very reasonable price for others.

**B)** Nominations/Elections - A motion was made by Wayne Nemeth, seconded by Marlene Herzog, and passed to retain the current officers for 2015. These are Chairman Tom Yaschen, Vice-chairman Wayne Nemeth, and Secretary John Herzog.

**C)** Membership – The Committee will focus on recruitment of new members this year, both voting and nonvoting.

**D)** 2015 Meeting Dates – Thursday, March 5, April 2, May 7 (Beautification Week May 10-17<sup>th</sup>), June 4, July 9, Sept. 10, Oct 1, and Nov. 5.

**E)** Art and Music Festival Aug 2015

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Thursday, March 5, 2015 at the Township Office at 7:00 p.m. Do bring a guest.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by Marlene Herzog to adjourn the Meeting at 7:50 p.m., seconded by Wayne Nemeth, and carried.