

# CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE & TREE BOARD MINUTES

May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Regular Meeting at 7PM

Chesterfield Township Offices Building Department Wing (47275 Sugarbush)

**CALL TO ORDER** – Vice Chairman Wayne Nemeth called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** – Present: Wayne Nemeth, Al Meneghin, Marlene Herzog, Linda Hartman and John Herzog.

Excused: Karen Floyd and Tom Yaschen. Linda Hartman has always been interested in the Beautification Committee and now in retirement plans to become more active. She will help with the free “Tree Give Away” on Thursday (2 - 4) and planting on Saturday (10 – 12).

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Motion to approve the Agenda for May 4, 2017 made by Al Meneghin, seconded by Wayne Nemeth, and carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion to approve the Minutes of April 11, 2017 made by Al Meneghin, seconded by Marlene Herzog, and carried. Note: Revised April Minutes with the date of the meeting added were distributed to the Beautification Committee.

## OLD BUSINESS:

- A)** Monarch Butterfly Way-Stations 2017. Two stations are in process for this Summer.
- B)** Excess Mulch Letter (Working) – In process
- C)** DPW Summer Help/(Boy & Girl Scouts) – Part time position approved for watering and weeding. Applicants needed who are 18 or older. Tom Yaschen and Don Coddington are following up.
- D)** Tree Order For Beautification Week – Wayne Nemeth has picked up the trees for distribution. Al Meneghin will pick them up and drop them off on Thursday. Tom Yaschen, Linda Hartman, Marlene and John Herzog plan to be here.
- E)** Flowers for Planting – John has ordered the flowers for pick up on Saturday morning. There are enough ordered for the Township Office and Brandenburg Park. He wants to add some flowers around the new sign and also around the sign on Gratiot north into the Township. The Township Flowerbed on the wall has been weeded and preened by Al Meneghin, but the rest of the upper bed needs spraying and other attention. Al will follow up with Don Coddington.
- F)** **Keller Williams to Help with Park Clean Up** – Tom Yaschen has their commitment to help, which will be a great addition.
- G)** Tree City USA 2016 – This is the fifth year that Tom Yaschen has secured this award. He will follow through with Don Coddington.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Membership Drive (All)** – Creative ideas are welcomed. Al Meneghin put a sign up at Tractor Supply and plans to post more when possible.
- B. Veterans Park (Tree Program)** – Tabled until the next meeting. Tom Yaschen is working on a program for people to donate memorial trees, etc. It will be important to state provisions for the donor on the donation form that the Township has control over the donation and can prune, move, or remove the donated tree as needed in the future.
- C. Eric Wurmlinger** is the new acting Parks and Recreation Director as Chris Galatis has

taken a new job. Christie Sicken remains our Township Liaison.

**COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE** – Linda Hartman mentioned that the Historical Commission is asking for input on a list of Michigan native flowers for planting at the Historical Village. Marlene Herzog shared Information regarding the Volunteer Award presented to Wayne Nemeth, Marlene Herzog, and John Herzog as Beautification Committee members at the Macomb County Commissioners Meeting. It was quite a special evening. Thanks to Tom Yaschen who recommended the three of us this year.

**NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

**ADJOURNMENT** – Motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. made by Al Meneghin, seconded by John Herzog and carried.