

Minutes of July Beautification Meeting June 29, 2015

In attendance: Diane Pittaway, Sally Hayes, Pat Baker, Doug Bingham, Nadia Golinski, Nachi Hirato, Liliana Miyahara, Donna Moak, Terry Snyder, Pati Heath, Gary Haas and Jim Gallogly

Diane welcomed everyone to our meeting and thanked Donna for her note taking and Janet for getting the fertilizers for the May plantings.

Nachi listed her guests who are working with us this year: Yuka Morita, Tamami Agusa, Fumiko Matsushima and Kaori Mori

Minutes - The June 1 minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report - We paid for Center Street flowers, City Hall, Hutton and Main, and Rotary Well site flowers.

Also new shirts were ordered. We are well within our budget for the past fiscal year.

Additionally, we paid for the luncheon tickets for the Southeast Michigan Beautification Commission meeting in June.

We have designated an amount for Rotary luncheon expenses.

Planting Projects - Thanks to all who participated in planting projects as follows:

Donna Moak and Nadia Golinski planted the geraniums in front of City Hall on June 3.

Diane Pittaway worked on the lily bed in front of City Hall on June 3.

On June 4, the following people participated at the well site planting: Diane Pittaway, Tomiko Aoki, Liliana Miyahara, Fumiko Matsushima and Yuka Morita.

Hutton Corner was planted on June 11 by Nachi Hirato, Kaori Mori and Liliana Miyahara.

And thanks to Gary Haas for being at all of the plantings and taking fabulous photos each time.

Other Projects -

Well site clean up and mulch is to be rescheduled for July 11, due to rain on June 27.

Long's Plumbing back bed - Diane recommended to Lori Ward that the overgrown bushes be removed and then covered with mulch for now.

Nachi's Corner - High mounded dirt is still a concern for proceeding with plantings.

8 Mile and Center - Terry Snyder and Pati Heath will visit site and come up with a plan. Doug suggested we advertise to the community for help when we are ready to implement the plan.

Rural Hill Entrance Planter - Diane will visit this site and give a report at our next meeting.

Southeast Beautification Commission Luncheon on June 18 was attended by Diane Pittaway, Terry Snyder, and Terry's daughter, Marie, who was visiting from Arizona. Marie is the director

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of Oak Creek Watershed Council in Sedona. Though Terry's husband's cousin was supposed to speak, the replacement speaker talked about rain gardens which was interesting, especially to Marie. Diane noted the emphasis on restoring the environment with regional beautification projects.

Business - We elected officers which will remain the same. Diane will send results to Dianne Massey.

Award judging forms distributed and presented by Diane with explanation. Voted to accept form as worded.

Lilliana will tally results by July 27.

Diane will be out of town so Doug will distribute signs right after the August 3 meeting.

Sally, Doug and Liana must renew their memberships.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Moak