

## **City of Northville Beautification Commission Meeting Minutes for May 1, 2017**

Attendance: Gary Haas, Nachi Hirato, Callie Milroy, Liliana Miyahara, Diane Pittaway, Terry Snyder, Jim Gallogly

Absent: Doug Bingham, Nadia Golinski, Sally Hayes, Julie Mantay, Yumi Kudo

Meeting Minutes: April 3, 2017 minutes approved as submitted

Treasurer's Report: No changes since last month's report

Southeast MI BC Luncheon: Callie and Diane plan to attend June 15<sup>th</sup> in Grosse Ile

Awards Letter/Announcement: Terry read the prepared letter explaining the awards program for the City, DDA, and Chamber of Commerce newsletters. All approved the excellent wording. Diane will submit these for publication within the week.

Terry recommended that we update our website, including photos and names of award winners. Diane will contact Liz Cezat regarding this and begin changes.

2017 Planting Schedule: Diane gave Nachi a tentative schedule form for the barrel sections in order to plan rotating maintenance checks beginning in June.

Flower orders for all barrels, City Hall and Allen Terrace plantings will be from 4 Star Greenhouse in the new color pallet of red, yellow, orange. Plants for Center St and Hutton & Main will still be purchased from Prielipp at Farmers' Market.

Planting dates were determined. Diane will email the printed schedule. The delivery date will be Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> to the DPW yard.

Diane has contacted Rotary president Patrick Giesa regarding assistance with the well site maintenance and purchase of the annuals. BC will provide the flower combination for the two barrels at the entrance to the gazebo.

Callie recommends stonecrop sedum ground cover for the parking lot area on Mary Alexander behind Long's. Diane will contact Lori Ward regarding our recommendation. A planting date was set for following June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Center Street island will need special prep due to the hard soil and traffic hazard. Jim said that his crew can replace 12" of the compacted soil with quality planting soil. Diane will request assistance from the police department for traffic control.

Diane will contact Jim for assistance from DPW crew to finish Rural Hill.

Terry or Diane will contact Jim for crew assistance to complete Eight Mile/Center.

Diane will provide Jim with a detailed schedule of all our requests for preparation

of the planting projects. Also a meeting with Terry from DPW will be set to go over our needs.

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration: Members agreed that we should plan one for an afternoon plus one for after a council meeting. Due to our many planting projects these cannot be scheduled until later in June if possible. Details will be presented at the June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Liliana and Yumi will help plan an afternoon "tea."

Diane and Julie will plan the evening event.

Julie has contacted Northville Record and will request a proclamation from the mayor.

New Business: Callie recommended that we continue to seek new members. Contact with Country Garden was suggested. The newsletters by Liz Cezat and Lori Ward will be another source.

Gary will research the cost of signs/banners.

Callie suggested that we march in the City parades with our shirts and maybe a banner or signs. All present agreed we will plan for July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Adjournment