

Approved
June 21, 2022

**MARCH 15, 2022 - MEETING MINUTES
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
CITY HALL – COMMUNITY ROOM
31555 ELEVEN MILE ROAD**

CALL TO ORDER BY: Jennifer Chinn at 6:02 PM. in the City Hall Community Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rita Roberts, Betti Pool, Jennifer Chinn, Kathie Brown, Carol Kurth, Katherine Massey, Jawahar Babu and Sherry Jones.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Charmaine Kettler-Schmult, Staff Liaison

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Rita Roberts, second by Jawahar Babu, to approve the minutes of February 15, 2022 as submitted. Motion carried: 7-0

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Staff shared the Celebrate Spring event, Wednesday April 13, hosted by Keep Michigan Beautiful and BCSCM . Commissioners interested can let staff know to get their admission to the event paid by BC.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Kathie Brown, second by Rita Roberts to approve the agenda with the addition of item 8E. Farmington Committee cooperative projects discussion. Motion carried: 8-0

REVIEW OF CALENDAR: The Commissioners reviewed the calendar. Added KMB/BCSCM meeting on April 13, 2022 in Warren. Maybe post our events on the Costick Bulletin Board. Need to create a Litter Walk flyer to pass out/post at businesses and association meetings. Added the Fall Plant Swap on September 17, 2022, at Heritage Park.

OLD BUSINESS ITEM:

- A. Draft BC Annual Report 2021 – Charmaine Kettler-Schmult
- B. Draft BC Goals for 2022 – Charmaine Kettler-Schmult
 - Remove Native tree and shrub sale event from 2022 Goals.
 - Remove Farmington Voice from Promotion and Public Awareness info and add Michigan Gardener.
 - Motion by Betty Pool, second by Sherry Jones to approve the Annual Report and Goals for 2022. Motion carried: 8-0
- C. Spring Clean Up – Jenn Chinn
She will email groups again as reminder. Charmaine will make flyers. The newly designed Carol Posby Litter Walk tee-shirts are ordered. Sign up deadline April 4th. Kathie will talk about the Litter Walk at the March COHA meeting. The next regular BC meeting will move to April 12 in order to incorporate

preparations for the Litter Walk. Bring paper bags to stuff with Litter Walk supplies.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

- A. BC Spring Plant Swap – Betti Pool
May 14th at Heritage Park – A couple people had taken plants and walked away with them out of people’s trunks. Talked about different ways to alert people not to do that. The Fall Plant Swap will occur on September 17th at Heritage Park.
- B. FH Earth Day Event – Jen Chinn
The Beautification Commission came to the consensus that they will not be participating this year.
- C. Costick Center Planting – Charmaine Kettler-Schmult
The Beautification Commission came to the consensus that they will not participate this year but Jawahar Babu’s Temple may do a volunteer event with annual plantings there.
- D. Beautification Commission Officer Nominations – Charmaine Kettler-Schmult
Rita suggested we keep the same officers - Jennifer Chinn, President, Katherine Massey, Vice-president, Kathie Brown, Secretary. Motion by Carol Kurth, second by Betti Pool to nominate the present slate of officers to continue in their positions. Motion carried: 8-0
- E. Farmington Beautification – Jennifer Chinn
- Jennifer talked to Sarah Davies about how Farmington Beautification does their litter walk. Maybe we could work together as a combined event next year.
 - Edible Farmington – We could join Farmington Beautification in picking up extra garden vegetables donated by people and drop them off at Cares of Farmington Hills. We could also hand out seeds for people to grow vegetables at the Farmers Market, so they can donate the excess.
 - Some libraries have seed lending collections. Talk to Interim Library Director Kelley Siegrist at FA/FH about this. Check out seed packets at the beginning of growing season, return seeds from plants in the fall.

The Commissioners agreed to continue conversations with Farmington’s Beautification Committee on cooperative projects.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: Betti Pool wants to know about the construction machines on Farmington Rd at 11 Mile Rd. Charmaine said it is a water pressure reduction project.

Meeting adjourned: Motion to adjourn by Jennifer Chinn at 7:22 pm.