

Minutes of the Beautification Committee Meeting held on March 5, 2020 at 6PM.

Present: Robert Anzalone, Ryan Crosby, Joseph Gianzero, Justin Hunter, Maria Hunter and Desiree Potvin

Absent: Diane Marrone, Martha Nask

**Acceptance of Minutes:**

Motion was offered by Robert, seconded by Ryan, to accept the minutes of the meeting held February 6, 2020. All voted in favor of said motion and the motion was unanimously carried.

**Budget Update:**

The following are the expenses since the last meeting:

- \$16,963.58 to Rileighs Outdoor Décor for the soccer field winter wonderland display
- \$8023.00 to Printing Plus for various signage.

**Old Business:**

Various Signage – Desiree stated she spoke with Printing Plus today. The south entrance sign is being fabricated and the Shelter sign should be completed by the end of the month. A site visit to the Shelter will need to be conducted to determine exactly where the signage should be placed and then Buildings/Grounds will need to dig for the posts. Maria will arrange the site visit and Justin will reach out to have the electrical done. For the Earl Reservoir sign, no drawings from Bobby have been received.

Storage Container – Maria stated Bobby was going to purchase a combo lock for the unit and she does not know if that was done. Joseph stated he would follow-up.

Holiday Lighting – The Winter Wonderland has been ordered. Maria noted the Police Chief has requested that the tree on the front lawn of the station be lit seasonally to match the holiday. When the parking lot is redesigned she will ask that electric be run under it to the tree which will help with decorations. Currently the cords are run across the lawn and need to be removed when mowing.

Sheds at Highway Garage – The Highway Department did an amazing job repairing the ramps and base floorboards. When the weather improves they will also be repairing the asphalt by the ramps. Joseph approved that Maria can order pizza to be delivered to the Highway Garage thanking them for the work they did. Maria then noted in April there will be a work detail.

**New Business:**

Sensory Garden – Maria stated she would like to see a Sensory Garden created at the Reservoir. She explained what it was and the different things that could be done there. Joseph suggested Maria attend a Parks Committee meeting to explain what she has in mind so they can provide their input.

American Flags – There are three areas that the American Flag does not have lights on them – Brickley Field, Courthouse and Buildings/Grounds garage. For the Courthouse, Maria stated she will suggest that conduit be installed when the roof is replaced so a light can be installed to shine on the flagpole there. The other two areas will be looked into.

**Area of Concentration:**

Buena Vista Terrace – The Welcome Sign is still there so Maria will stop by the NYSDOT office and find out when it is being removed. She spoke to John O’Friel as well and he will stop by too. He also told her there is an issue with storm water runoff now.

Victory Park – The spotlight on the corner of Park and Route 32 is not very desirable and Councilman Hunter asked Maria to see what can be done to replace it. She thought perhaps installing lights along the bandstand instead. Justin noted the very old, rotted drainage pipes have not been addressed there and they are causing ruts on the lawn. Bobby did state he had a plan to fix it but nothing has been done. Justin also suggested maybe solar lights that shine on the memorials at this location (and at Oak Clove) or perhaps fancy light poles be installed.

Oak Clove – Maria asked if the grass area there can be removed and Joseph stated it could be. He said it will be done prior to the parade and river rock be laid in its place. Justin stated it would be nice to have the planting areas edged with Belgium block. Robert stated the hydrangea do not flower and Maria stated he should remove the plant. Once Orange Nursery opens something can be purchased to replace it.

**Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting is scheduled for 6PM on April 2.

**Adjournment:**

With no further business to discuss, a motion was offered by Desiree, seconded by Maria, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50PM. All voted in favor of said motion and was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Desiree Potvin