

Lee's Summit Beautification Commission Minutes

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

Strother Conference Room - City Hall

220 SE Green Street, Lee's Summit, MO 64063

6:12 pm

Kim Fritchie read Laura Dawson's resignation from the Commission, which is effective immediately. Laura is resigning due to her recent move from

Lee's Summit. The commission appreciates her many contributions and will miss her.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm by Kim Fritchie, with Lila Raymond, Sara DeBray, Tanya Forbes and Charlotte Lea present. A motion was made by Lila Raymond to accept the minutes of the last meeting and seconded by Sara DeBray. Visitors present were Dale Coy and Joe Snook.

Budget Review

Andy mentioned the new budget was in place for the new fiscal year. He also reported that Rosehill is watering flower pots downtown on Third Street and Douglas and have put in new plantings in bed on Third Street and West Main by railroad tracks. New pots have been ordered for the Lee's Summit Museum through Rosehill also. We will be keeping the museum staff posted on when they will arrive.

Tree Board Activities

Robert Sanchez had a slide presentation on tree ordinances from our city by-laws. He also had copies of two other city tree ordinances that he passed around for us to look at. It was brought to our attention by Dale Coy at our last meeting, as to who replaces trees that have died in our ROW's in Lee's Summit. The ordinances that were pointed out will be studied by a sub committee consisting of Kim Fritchie, Carol Rothwell, Andy Carr and Robert Sanchez. They will be determining what BC responsibilities are to the community. If the Beautification Commission is responsible for replacing trees, funds will need to be added to the budget.

Landscape Awards Presentation

The awards will be given out at the Gamber Center at 7 PM on Tuesday, August 8, 2017.

Letters have been mailed to the mayor, city council and the park board. Kim will make introductions. Carol will present the awards, followed by park board members and the mayor shaking the winners hands. A slide presentation will follow showing the beautiful landscapes of our winners. Andy is in charge of getting refreshments, Carol will bring a punch, Lila and Charlotte will man the table. Sponsors will be thanked for the gift card prizes and a drawing will take place with the winner receiving a grill from Westlake West.

A presentation of the Monarch Pledge will be presented to Mayor Rhoads to sign for the Mary Nemechek's grant. A picture of our committee will be taken with the Mayor and will be publicized to encourage attendance at the ROW presentation on October 10.

ROW Update

Andy reported that MoDot has mowed the designated areas with only 10 acres left. Spraying is almost finished also. This is the preparation needed before the wildflower planting is done.

Our ROW presentation to the community will be held at the Gamber Center on Tuesday, October 10 at 7 PM.

Our next meeting is scheduled at the Gamber Center for 6 PM Tuesday, October 10 right before the ROW presentation.

Kim ended the meeting asking each of us to take on a job during this next year to help balance out the responsibilities on the Commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Lea

Recording Secretary