

LEE'S SUMMIT BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
Minutes of the Feb. 10, 2020 Meeting

Attended by: Donna Nuccio, Charlotte Lea, Lila Raymond, Sue Forbes, Bruce Holiman, Glenda Masters, Kim Fritchie, Sarah DeBray and Carol Rothwell

Bruce called the meeting to order at 7:02.

Guests Joann Gloor and Jeanne Marshall were introduced and Ms. Gloor, a former art teacher, described four programs she would like to present, each lasting 1 ½-2 hours. The fourth part, touches on the importance of art in caring for the environment. Bruce thanked her and promised to keep the programs in mind.

The January minutes were approved and the financial review showed we have spent about half of our annual budget.

Downtown Planters: Our winter foliage is all brown and the pots were too frozen for insertion of the Valentines, but Lila and Charlotte plan to add shamrocks before the 3/15 St. Patrick's Day parade. Spring planting will be either 3/22 or 3/29.

Glenda said there will be 6 temporary sculptures downtown in various locations by mid-April. The new pavilion will be built east of City Hall, and we will be involved in green spaces.

Arbor Day: Parks Dept. will continue to help by getting a tree and digging the hole. Glenda will contact Summit Point school to see if they want to participate, from 10-11:30 a.m. on 4/22 or 4/24. As usual, Charlotte will read the book about planting trees to the kindergarteners..

Sweep the Summit: Glenda will check with Parks to see if they are available for 4/25. Sarah will coordinate with the high schools and Parks will determine where we need to focus the clean-ups.

ROW Beautification: MoDOT can't sign-off until we commit our support, so a motion was made and passed authorizing herbicide spot-spraying @\$6,750. We will look for alternatives to the quoted price of \$4.29/plug for wildflowers. We need visible success this year in order to impress. After it's established, MoDOT could do more maintenance. We will review the budget at the March meeting.

Garden Tours: We're not sure where we stand re: a joint project with garden clubs. Donna suggested doing something downtown, to include the sculptures, green space, etc. Maybe tie in with the Farmers' Market. Discussions will continue in March.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Rothwell, Secretary