



BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2012

Gardening is cheaper than therapy and you get tomatoes.

~Author Unknown

Present: Myra Lenz, Dona Bronkie, Deb Habes, Trustee Geary

Absent: Catherine Zimmerman, Shawn Michel, Paula Hinz, Elise Fila, Marcia Roth, Paul Krieter, Trustee Piazza

Met at 6:30 in Village Hall.

Garden Talk

Triangle – Brian Geary will be working with Ken and DPW to fill in with English Garden topsoil and TOA compost. The grade will be slightly elevated and the edging stones will be corrected. Perennials will be re-positioned back to where they belong. Brian will work with Ken to get some more boulders for placement in the bed in a natural style.

2012 Plant Order – Blue Wave petunia is being substituted for the originally ordered violet color for the beds, due to a supplier problem. We will use the blue as an accent in the Triangle and a lighter colored mulch will be chosen.

Meeting House Garden – Brian Geary to see what the next stage of this garden is after the work was done in the fall with the donation that was received from Forest Stream Garden Club's grant. We will contact garden club once again to see if they are interested in continuing their sponsorship of this garden.

Glen Park Paver Pathway Gardens – Sunflower seeds will again be planted along west rock wall of entry pathway, but will be set back from Main Street so as to not block the sight of vehicles entering/exiting from the adjacent doctors' office parking lot. Remaining flowers are all perennials.

Parks and Plants Day - Held on May 19th in cooperation with the Parks Committee. A potluck picnic will be held for all volunteers that same day after our work is completed. Food/beverage donations will be sought from local vendors.

"Volunteers at Work" Signs – Myra is going to research the possibility of hand painting small Coroplast signs for placement in areas where we are working. This is to alert the public that we are village volunteers, not paid employees. Idea is to have 4 same size signs with wire stakes to set up "Burma Shave" style when we are working at the various Village gardens. They would also serve to inform the public of our need for more members.

Garden name markers – Myra is going to sketch some renderings of name markers for the various village gardens. She will report back to the committee.

DPW – Committee will work on a calendar for DPW duties that concern garden prep, mulching, watering, fertilizing throughout the upcoming season and get it to Basil, Brian and Ken for review.
****Discussed asking Ken to rake and edge all the gardens. The question about plastic edging was talked about but, at this time we thought it may be too costly.**

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

Sat., 4/28/12 at 2pm. (tentative) – Garden Cleanup Blitz - Meet at Garrison Park Gazebo
Sat., 5/19/12 at 8am – Village Parks & Plants Day w/picnic - Meet at the Triangle ready to plant

Ended at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Habes

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