



MINUTES

CITIZENS' BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE - REGULAR SESSION THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024, 6:00 PM

The Citizens' Beautification Committee convened in regular session at 6:00 PM, November 21, 2024. Committee Chair Lavazza called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Izola Tyus	Committee Member	Present
Margaret Kraft	Committee Member	Present
Jennifer Aurora	Committee Member	Present
Deborah Johnson	Committee Member	Present
Gina Lavazza	Committee Member	Present
Michaela Kent	Committee Member	Present
Joni Painter	Committee Chair	Present
Fredrick Marling	Committee Member	Absent
Daniel Freburg	Committee Member	Absent
Eldon Haab	Committee Member	Absent

Public Comment

Individuals wishing to provide emailed public comment must email comments to publiccomment@cityblm.org at least 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. Individuals wishing to speak in-person may register at cityblm.org/register at least 5 minutes before the start of the meeting.

Neither in-person or emailed: No public comment was received.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed and voted on separately.

Item 4. Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of the October 17, 2024
Regular Session Citizens' Beautification Committee Meeting

Committee Member Lavazza made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Aurora, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Chair Lavazza directed the secretary to call roll:

AYES: Painter; Lavazza; Kraft; Aurora; Johnson; Kent;
Tyus **Motion carried**

Regular Agenda

The following item was presented:

Item 5.A. Continued Discussion on the Potential Projects the Citizens' Beautification Committee can take on in the immediate future.

Chair Lavazza introduced Lauren Geggus, District 87 Art teacher, to explore potential projects with our Beautification Committee and share insights and ideas about collaborative projects that not only enhance our community but also actively involve school-age children. Several ideas sparked conversation to include, painting large decorative rocks to incorporate into landscaping projects, partnering with the Economic Community Development Committee to paint and decorate traffic boxes, designing metal flags for city planters, and working on a significant project to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Route 66 in 2026. Each committee member was tasked with reaching out to resources to research the mentioned projects with what, object, materials, and cost. Members are to bring information to the next meeting.

Item 5.B. Presentation and Discussion by the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department on General Department Updates

Staff Liaison Jeff Hindman reported Parks and Recreation have completed winterization of park bathrooms, drinking fountains and irrigation systems. Perennial plants have all been cut down and in process of leaf collection. Jeff Hindman reported that three-fourths of the 250 trees received had been planted. Parks and Recreation had begun hanging holiday cluster lights and banners. One of the Santa statues from the old Livingston Building had been beautifully refurbished and was proudly set up on the McLean County Museum square.

Committee Member Comments

Chair Lavazza reminded the Committee that there would not be a December Beautification Committee meeting.

Adjournment

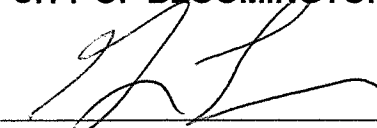
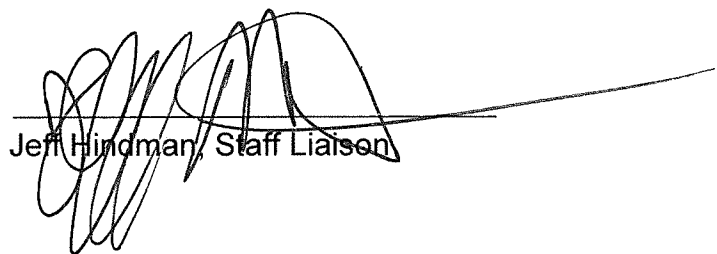
Committee Member Painter made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Kent, to adjourn the meeting. Chair Lavazza directed the secretary to call roll:

AYES: Painter; Lavazza; Kraft; Aurora; Johnson; Kent;

Tyus Motion carried (viva voce).

The Meeting Adjourned at 6:49 PM

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Chairperson Gina Lavazza
Jeff Hindman, Staff Liaison