



MINUTES
CITIZENS' BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE - REGULAR
SESSION THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2024, 6:00 PM

The Citizens' Beautification Committee convened in regular session on September 19, 2024. Committee Chair Lavazza called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

Roll Call

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

Staff Present: Jeff Hindman, Staff Liaison

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.A. Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of the June 20, 2024
Regular Citizens' Beautification Committee Meeting

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

AYES: Painter; Marling; Freburg; Lavazza; Kraft; Aurora; Kent; Tyus

Motion carried

Regular Agenda

The following item was presented:

Item 5.A. Consideration and Action for the Citizens' Beautification Committee to vote on eligible Beautification Award winners

Committee Chair Lavazza tallied the committee member scores for both residential and non-residential nominations for the 2024 Beautification Awards. Discussion brought up concerning non-residential nominations and what parameters the Committee uses to qualify a nomination if the business specializes solely in the sale of plants and does not landscape their space. Continuing with the non-residential nominations' discussion included when a non-residential nomination had since been closed for business, but the landscaping had continued. The Committee disqualified the non-residential nomination that did not have organic landscaping for the property but kept the non-residential nomination that had previously closed, but the owners continued the landscaping of the property. Two (2) non-residential nominations out of five (5) were selected for the 2024 Beautification Award. Chair Lavazza and Committee Member Marling took photos of the properties. Co-Chair Freburg will reach out to the property owners to let them know they are the winners and get permission to use their names and addresses. Chair Lavazza will reach out to the mayor's office, cc'ing Board Liaison Jeff Hindman, to get on the October City Council agenda to present the awards to the winners.

Parkview Inn, 1003 S. Morris Avenue-Score 9.8

Red Raccoon Games, 301 N. Main Street-Score 8.7

The Committee selected five (5) residential nominations out of the seventeen (17) total nominations for the 2024 Beautification Award.

3304 Carrington Lane - Score 9.4

1007 S. Morris Avenue - Score 8.9

501 E. Olive Street - Score 8.6

1311 W. Seminary Street -Score 8.4

1009 N. Morris Avenue - Score 8.3

Committee Member Lavazza made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Kraft, to approve the item as presented

Committee Chair Lavazza directed the secretary to call roll:

AYES: Painter; Marling; Freburg; Lavazza; Kraft; Aurora; Kent;

Tyus Motion carried

The following item was presented:

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

No new discussion concerning potential projects was discussed during the meeting. Committee Members were encouraged to bring ideas to the next Beautification meeting.

The following item was presented:

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

Staff Liaison Jeff Hindman reported Park Maintenance staff will be busy with fall tree planting, they have approximately 200 trees to plant, replacing storm damage from the past season and other requests. The McGraw Park fountain has been repaired and is fully operational. Park Maintenance removed donated playground equipment from Western Avenue Community Center with the intention of repurposing it for installation in a Bloomington Park. Park Maintenance was also busy mulching plant beds from North Veteran's Parkway to Morris Avenue on the south.

Committee Member Comments

No Committee Member comments.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58pm.

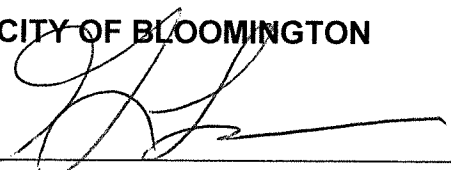
Committee Member Aurora made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Marling, to adjourn the meeting.

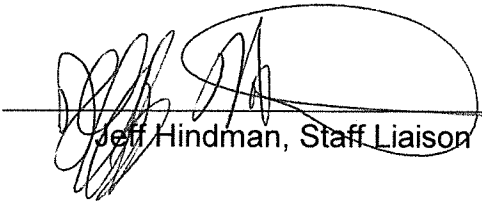
Committee Chair Lavazza directed the secretary to call roll:

AYES: Painter; Marling; Freburg; Lavazza; Kraft; Aurora; Kent; Tyus

Motion carried (viva voice)

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Chairperson Gina Lavazza


Jeff Hindman, Staff Liaison