



MINUTES
CITIZEN'S BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE - REGULAR SESSION
THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2024, 6:00 PM

The Citizen's Beautification Committee convened in regular session at 6:00 PM, January 18, 2024. Committee Chair Joni Painter called the meeting to order and welcomed new Committee Members Michaela Kent and Eldon Haab.

Roll Call

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

Staff Present: Jeff Hindman, Superintendent Park Maintenance and Staff Liaison

Public Comment

No public comment.

Consent Agenda

Item 4.A. Approval of August and September 2023 Minutes

The September 21, 2023 Citizens' Beautification Committee Regular Session Minutes were corrected to spell Jeff Hindman's, Staff Liaison, name correctly and reflect that Fred Marling was absent.

Committee Member Freburg made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Lavazza, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Chair Painter directed the Secretary to call roll:

AYES: Painter; Kemp; Marling; Freburg; Lavazza; Kraft; Aurora; Kent; Haab
Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

The following item was presented:

Item 5.A. Plan activities for 2024 Arbor Day and Beautification Awards

There was a discussion of schools who have not received the third-grade class Arbor Day Trees and Corpus Christi was voted on. It is a newer school and hasn't been awarded a tree. Discussion on the type of tree to be awarded followed with these suggestions: Cherry, Ginko, Hydrangea, Red or White Oak, and Purple Beech. Jeff Hindman suggested we table this until next month to allow him to check on availability and allow Committee Members to consider possibilities.

Committee Member Lavazza made a motion, seconded by Committee Chair Painter, to Motion to award Arbor Day Tree to Corpus Christy.

Chair Painter directed the Secretary to call roll:

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

Motion carried.

Committee Chair Painter explained the Committee's responsibilities and the procedures for awarding the Beautification Awards. The members agreed to change the cutoff date for the applications to July 1st. Awards are engraved rocks delivered to the homes and winners are awarded certificates at a City Council meeting.

The following item was presented:

Item 5.B. New Topics

No new topics were discussed.

The following item was presented:

Item 5.C. Parks and Recreation Update

Jeff Hindman, Staff Liaison, gave an update on Buck-Mann Park located at 116 Weldon Street. The new fence is up. The fountain has been updated. A new bench will be added. The Committee gave suggestions of possible plantings: Zebra Grass-Bobo Hydrangea, coreopsis, and succulents in the old water fountain with a mass of super petunias or begonias around the fountain planted in the ground.

Mr. Hindman reported that holiday decorations would be taken down by early February. Maintenance work was ongoing. The corner of Rt. 9 and Veterans Parkway was being worked on. The pine trees, passed their prime, were going to be taken out and new landscaping will be added.

Mr. Hindman also reported that there had been a lot accomplished at O'Neil Park but much more work was still needed. The landscaping had been contracted out. Sweeney Park playground and sidewalk installation was nearly finished with the shelter completed but waiting on a part to finish the playground. There was still tree planting to be completed around the park.

Committee Member Comments

There were no Committee Member comments.

Adjournment

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

Chair Painter directed the Secretary to call roll:

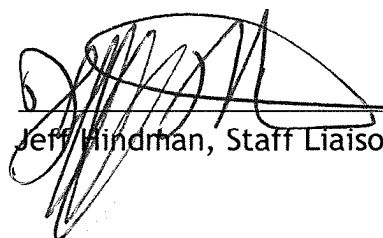
AYES: Painter; Kemp; Marling; Freburg; Lavazza; Kraft; Aurora; Kent; Haab Aurora

Motion carried (viva voce).

The Meeting Adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Joni Painter, Committee Chair


Jeff Hindman, Staff Liaison