

TOWN OF STONINGTON

152 Elm Street • Stonington, CT 06378

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
Feb 12th - 5:00pm
STONINGTON HUMAN SERVICES



Minutes

Present: Julie Holland, Danny Oliverio, Ayo Bryant, Eric Beverly, Carole Nossek, Shaun Mastroianni

Absent: Beverly Dodd

1. Meeting called to order
 - Julie Holland called the meeting to order at 5:00PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of minutes
 - January minutes- Carole Nossek made a motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting, seconded by Danny Oliverio. All were in favor. Motion passed.
4. Comments from the Public
 - None
5. Old Business
 - a. Update on projects
 - Historic signs-Danny gave an update. The state permit has been issued and a request to the Town Public Works Department work orders will be requested.
 - Pawcatuck sign landscaping- Danny will put in a request to cleanup this area.
 - Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center-Julie will set up a meeting in the future with the Executive Director. Danny will review some trees per request by the Executive Director
 - Korean Memorial cleanup- Danny had one tree removed and another diseased tree was tagged. Heather Somers helped clear trees behind the fish market. The committee would like to publicly thank Heather Somers.

There was discussion about putting in a request for a downtown clean up. Future project for this area is to plant a new tree, grass, and a planting by the wall. Eric and Danny will work on a plan.

- Route 1 island project-Tabled
- East Boro Pocket Park- Shaun is working with the landscape architect and has a quote for the project. The Burgess and Warden will need to approve the quote at a future meeting.
- Sponsorships and Future Grants- Julie will work with the Mystic Garden Club about a grant application. Carole will look into a grant from the Stonington Garden Club Grant- Shaun will work on a grant from Chelsea Groton Bank.
- Adopt a Spot- Julie gave an update.
- Gateway to Donahue Park- This will be used for grant writing for a planting to include shrubs and perennials.
- Donahue Park lighting- Julie is waiting for a quote from SNS Electric.

6. New Business

- Allocation of funds- none
- Discuss about election of officers-tabled
- Downtown is Blooming Campaign- Julie gave an update but there are no action items for this campaign yet.
- Adopt a tree-Suggestions included near the town dock's playground, 8 trees in front of West Broad School, 3 trees across from COMO Thrift Shop
- Correspondence- None
- RT 2 Dunkin Donuts area landscaping- We had a discussion about removing the brush in this area. Julie will follow up with the town staff.
- Town wide cleanup- Ayo gave an update about a town wide clean up. The Nature Center may be interested in partnering. Ayo will work on coordinating around Earth Day. Possible date 4/28 at 9AM.
- Dine to Donate-Mia-Primetime 4/7, Shaun pending Pink Basil, Carole pending Dog Watch, Cove Ledge Package store tasting 5/25, Stonington Pizza possible Wed night, Danny to follow-up. Shaun to follow up with Water Street Cafe
- Tree Warden Report- Danny gave a report to the committee. Seaport project is completed and trees will not be replaced there. The town rented a stump grinder to remove the stumps on RT 27. Danny has received a report from the bus company, which he will look into. There will be another day of stump removal throughout the town. The current area the town is working on is the Rivercrest neighborhood. The tree company is in town removing tagged trees.

7. Comments from the Public

- None

8. Adjournment

- Eric moved to adjourn, it was seconded by Danny. The meeting was adjourned at 6PM