

TOWN OF STONINGTON

152 Elm Street • Stonington, CT 06378

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
October 20th - 5:00pm
STONINGTON HUMAN SERVICES

Minutes

Present: Julie Holland, Danny Oliverio, Shaun Mastroianni, Ayo Bryant, Eric Beverly, Leanne Theodore

Absent: Antonio Mastroianni, Carole Nossek, Kate Rotella, Westerly Donahue, Michael Dennis, Rosemarie Rose, Fran Hoffman, Barbara McKrell, Amanda Nall

1. Call to Order

- Julie Holland called the meeting to order at 5:03PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of minutes (Sept)

- Danny moved to approve September with outline corrections. Motion seconded by Ayo, all in favor, motion approved.

4. Comments from the Public

- Carole Nossek has a grant opportunity and would like some ideas. The deadline is 11/1 and is for about 1-2K. Possible ideas, high school courtyard, human services building tree
- The sidewalk project was approved. Committee would like to thank Jason Vincent and town leadership.

- Leanne will get a list of civic groups and fundraising opportunities to the committee.
- Discussion about circle by CVS in Mystic. Research options
- West Vine School- discuss of cleaning up trails, Leanne to have a walk through.
- Discussion of tree planted at VFW park, committee will reach out to selectmen for guidance
- Discussion of overgrown trees in Pawcatuck

5. Old Business

a. Update on projects

- Signage- Lisa from the Chamber is working to obtain renderings of the new sign and then we will approach Citizens bank about placement.
- Bridge Planters are completed, thank you to the selectmen/women and all involved to make this happen (Derick Kennedy, Dennis Alger, Nate Miceli, Danny Oliverio). In addition thank you to Lisa Kinicki and the chamber for their help and donation of material. Dine to Donate will be November 9th at Amigo's and 20% will go to committee. There will be 4 plantings a year costing about \$400 each planting. There was discussion about where to maintain the money for this project, town vs chamber. Also thank you to all local businesses for watering the planters. Shaun will try to get sponsors for the 6 planters for each season, if we have them by 10/31 we can submit an article in the events magazine
- YMCA spring/summer garden club assistance
- Curb on Rt 1 is completed
- Discussion of light post replacement in Pawcatuck, committee will contact Kate Rotella for help.
- Downtown Mystic Elm tree removal. Eversource has notified the town that it intends to remove the dead Elm tree. Discussion about removing stump, planting grass and another Elm tree, funds? Trying to research history of plaque on tree.

b. NAR Placemaking Initiative Update

- This grant has been submitted by Jason Vincent

c. Strategic Planning Update

- Tabled

6. New Business

a. Committee bylaws

- Shaun will draft and send out to committee by email for review. Intent would be to approve at the next meeting.

b. Approval of 2017 meeting calendar

- Agreed that day and time is good for all. Shaun and Julie will submit calendar to the town.

7. Adjournment

- Julie moved to adjourn, seconded by Danny, all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 6:09PM.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. R. M.", written in a cursive style.