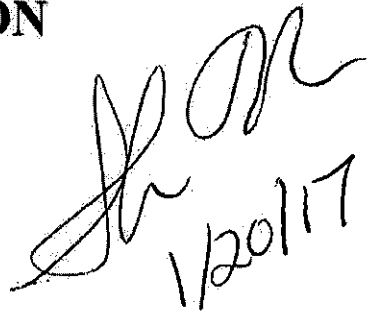


TOWN OF STONINGTON

152 Elm Street • Stonington, CT 06378

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
December 15th - 5:00pm
STONINGTON HUMAN SERVICES



Handwritten signature and date: 1/20/17

Minutes

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

Guest: Griffin Crowley

Absent: Michael Dennis, Kate Rotella

1. Call to Order

Julie Holland called the meeting to order at 5:06PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of minutes

Motion to approve November meeting minutes by Danny Oliverio, seconded by Carole Nossek, all in favor, motion approved.

4. Comments from the Public

- Beverly Dodd was introduced as the representative for the Mystic Garden Club. She will be the liaison going forward.
- Danny Oliverio, Julie Holland, and Leanne Theodore did a walkthrough of the trails behind West Vine School. There were only a few areas of concern and the Town Highway Department will be completing the cleanup. The trails condition was better than expect and could use some signage.

- Changing the meeting day for 2017 was discussed and the third Monday was recommended unless of a holiday. Julie Holland made a motion to change the meeting to the third Monday when possible for 2017, seconded by Antonio Mastroianni, all in favor, motion approved.

5. Old Business

a. Update on projects

- VFW Tree-Thank you Cedar Ridge Landscaping for the donation and planting of the holiday tree.
- Donahue Park Gazebo- The Gazebo has been decorated for the holiday season. The Mark Pescatello Fund Donated the Garland for the gazebo for the holiday.
- CVS circle- Thank you to Antonio and Shaun for the donation and completion of the plantings.
- Bridge planters- We have decided to have four plantings and then greens. April- pansies or bulbs, Mystic Pet Shop, May- Before Memorial Day Pequot Plant Farm, August- First planting of mums from Stone Acres Farm, October- second planting of mums by Flemmings. The greens will be a collective effort from the committee for the greens.
- Downtown is Blooming- Westerly/Pawcatuck has 13 planters and will continue with the Dine to Donate. The following are the collections so far: Twisted Vine \$230.00, Lucky House \$350, Amigos \$180. Next Mia's Jan 7th 4-9 10%
- Misc- Carole reported that the Stonington Garden Club is interested in supporting the three trees at the high school, and 1 tree at the Human Services Building. The total for the approval is \$800.00. Danny Oliverio will research prepping for the tree area. Possible fall for the high school and spring for Human Services Building.
- Misc- Light post in Pawcatuck was discussed and Eric will go to the next Selectman meeting

b. Strategic Planning Update- Tabled

6. New Business

- a. Committee bylaws- There was discussion about what the quorum should be for the committee, 4 members or 7. Shaun Mastroianni made a motion to accept the recommendations of the lawyer for the by-laws with 4 members being the quorum, seconded by Eric, all in favor, motion approved.
- b. Dine to Donate- Bravo Jan 25th, Danny Oliverio to contact Mexicali and Carole Nossek to contact Dog Watch
- c. Tree Warden Report- Several trees have been tagged for removal around town. Danny Oliverio is working on having a line item for money to replace some of the trees that are removed. Danny is still working on the Elm tree in Mystic.

7. Adjournment- Carole Nossek moved to adjourn, seconded by Danny Oliverio, all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 6:16PM