

Beautification Commission
Minutes
Monday, January 11, 2021
5:30 pm
Zoom

Call to Order: 5:32 pm

Roll Call: Colleen Crossey, Cindy Haley, Cindy Lang, Courtney Opalko, Christen Pietraz, Isaly Szetela, Celia Todd, Laura Williams

Excused:

Absent:

Approval of Minutes: Moved Courtney, Seconded Isaly

Approval of Agenda: Moved Courtney, Seconded Isaly

Old Business:

Current Projects: The following projects were discussed:

1. National Wildlife Federation Certification (Laura)
 - The sign for the Civic Center is on hold due to COVID
2. Keep Michigan Beautiful Award (Celia)
 - Award funds to be used for signs in Butterfly Garden
3. Park Entrance Sign Adoption (Cindy L, Isaly)
 - The application materials were approved as submitted
 - It was suggested that applicants be made aware that there is no irrigation at the sign sites
 - Applicants will be provided with a list of suggested native plants
 - Simone will find out where the Parks and Recs Department gets commemorative signs
4. Home/Neighborhood decorating and landscaping recognition (Cindy H)
 - Commission will use the city holiday recognition program platform for spring landscaping
5. Entryway Grants
 - One application has been received so far this year
 - Simone will obtain a quote for the cost to purchase new award-winner signs

Grants:

Waste Management

- Cindy and Christen will meet to discuss bids for making signs to label the plants

Discussion of Possible Projects for 2021

- Novi Parks Bus tour was tabled, because the Ambassador Program uses a private vendor for its transportation

- Information about Oakland County's Adopt-a-Road Program and a map of adopted and available roads can be found at www.rcoc.org/218/Adopt-a-Road
- Material has been prepared for school presentations, but is on hold due to COVID
- The Commission plans to participate in Tollgate Farm events whenever possible

Meetings:

February 8, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13

Adjournment: 6:33 pm: Moved Cindy H, Seconded Isaly