

THE CITY OF FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS

BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Thursday, March 3, 2016 - 5:00 p.m.

Mayor's Conference Room

10025 Bunkum Road, Fairview Heights, IL

Public Participation

None.

Approval of February 4, 2016 Minutes

Motion and second to approve said minutes as written were made by Mary Nygard/Mark Burgdorf. The motion carried by voice vote and was unanimous.

Earth Day Project

Discussion was held regarding the 1st Annual Fairview Heights Community Cleanup Day to be held April 23rd tentatively from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Members decided that drop-off site for various items would be established on the road next to Recycling Center and City Garage areas. Further discussion was held regarding the different types of items to be collected including yard waste, large bulk items, small electronics, prescription drugs, paper shredding and possibly a hazardous waste drop-off. Mayor Kupsky introduced Jamie Williams who presented to members a program through Saver's in Fairview Heights where they will set up a collection site for clothing, shoes, accessories, household items and will in turn make a donation to an organization of the Commission's choice. Members decided that all proceeds will be donated to the Fairview Heights Food Pantry. Saver's also has agreed that they could set up a week long period that Earth Day items can be dropped off at the store site which will additionally go towards the donation amount. Other events will also include a City wide litter pickup and weeding/mulching around the Log Cabin and various beds in Pleasant Ridge Park. Staff will be assisting with the development of a flyer.

Goals for 2016

Faye Krause discussed with Mayor Kupsky who agreed to investigate allowing City staff to assist with the replacement of fencing around the Community Garden. Angie Beaston will be working with a staff member to find a solution to the fence problem.

Community Garden/Garden Club Update

Barb Shute reported that the club has been dormant for a couple months and will be meeting on March 7th.

Log Cabin Projects Budget

The Gardens of Fairview Heights will hopefully develop a budget and report back at the next Beautification Commission meeting.

Trekking for Trash Update

Mark Burgdorf reported that Libby Rich contacted a group affiliated with Scott Air Force Base who will be providing volunteers that will assist with the litter pickup program.

Discussion was held regarding the City possibly providing a volunteer waiver to help reduce potential future liability.

Treasurer/Budget

With the resignation of a couple members, discussion was held regarding the removal of names from the bank account and replacing with present members.

Barb Shute moved to remove Amie Toberman and Patrick McCarthy from the "Keep Fairview Heights Beautiful" checking account held at Providence Bank. Seconded by Mark Burgdorf. The motion carried by voice vote and was unanimous.

Barb Shute moved to place Faye Krause and Mary Nygard as authorized signers on the "Keep Fairview Heights Beautiful" checking account held at Providence Bank. Seconded by Cheryl Draves. The motion carried by voice vote and was unanimous.

Mary Nygard moved to purchase trash bags, volunteer vests and gloves. Seconded by Barb Shute. The motion carried by voice vote and was unanimous.

Outstanding Bills

None.

Welcome Sign

This topic was tabled until the next meeting.

Monthly Yard Award

Mary Nygard questioned whether City could include a link on the website to nominate a neighbor for the Monthly Yard Award. Additionally, she suggested having signs printed up to be placed in the yards of those who are nominated as well.

Motion and second to adjourn were made by Barb Shute/Cheryl Draves. The motion carried by voice vote and was unanimous.

Adjournment 6:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be on April 7, 2016, in the Mayor's Conference Room.

Submitted By:

Recorder