

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

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**AGENDA**

**BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

April 7, 2021

5:30 p.m.

**VIA ZOOM**

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - A. Approval of March 17, 2021 Beautification Minutes
5. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
6. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - Long-Term
    - A. Welcome Signs
    - B. Stop the Drop/Community Clean-ups
    - C. Trees
    - D. Beautification Award – progress on criteria for Holiday Decorations
  - Short-Term
    - E. Kelly Triangle
    - F. Benches/Trashcans/Outdoor fixtures
7. ACTION ITEMS
  - A. Update from City on Clock lighting

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8. Next Meeting: April 21, 2021  
Items for next meeting:

9. ADJOURNMENT
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This meeting conducted Via ZOOM

Prepared by/  
Izetta Grossman, CMC  
City Clerk

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MINUTES

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING

March 17, 2021

VIA ZOOM

PRESIDING: Tiffany Prince

MEMBERS PRESENT: Connie Krummrich, John Nelson, Bill Lennox, Max Butensky,  
John Nelson

ABSENT: None

GUEST: None

Staff Liaison: Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

President Tiffany Prince called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Izetta Grossman conducted roll call; all members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Butensky to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES/REVIEW FINANCIAL REPORT

Approval of March 3, 2021 Beautification Minutes

It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Butensky to approve the March 3, 2021 as presented. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

Review February Financial Report, there were no questions.

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## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Welcome Signs

Nelson reported contacting Scott Stephenson from The Dalles Art Center to talk about volunteering to assist with criteria for the Welcome Signs. Butensky said he had with Stephenson communicated via email. He said Stephenson agreed to serve on the sub-committee.

Butensky said he was researching past vision/mission statements of the City.

### Trees

Merrill reviewed the email bid for arborist report. She said it was \$300.

Lennox reported he sent out the bid he received from Hood River. He said the bid was \$660, and he thought getting professional advice on the care of the trees would be helpful to the City employees and would help build relationships for collaboration.

Krummrich reported talking to Bruce Lumpier about citizen participation program for replacing the trees at Sorosis Park. She said Lumpier suggested that she talk to Scott Baker, Executive Director of Parks and Recreation about the idea of having citizens purchase a tree in memorial or honor of someone to help with the expense of replacing all the trees at Sorosis Park.

Grossman suggested a couple Committee members go to a Parks & Rec Board meeting to present the idea.

It was moved by Merrill to hire Gorge Arbor Care for \$300 for an arborist report on the downtown trees.

After some discussion, it was moved by Lennox and seconded by Krummrich to hire Gorge Arbor Care in an amount not to exceed \$500. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

Nelson said if after receiving the first report the Committee felt they needed more information they could decide to hire the Hood River arborist.

### Beautification Award

Butensky reported that he will be handling the nominations spreadsheet. He said he updated the original spreadsheet, and it was no available to everyone through the shared link he sent out. He said nominations could be sent to Prince, Grossman or himself to be added to the spreadsheet.

There was some discussion on information needed on the spreadsheet. It was determined that all nominations needed to remain on the spreadsheet for future review, with dates and notation of winners. Butensky said all information was there.

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Krummrich said there were lots of well cared for homes, that are preparing for spring planting.

The winner for April is 605 Liberty. Merrill will go to the house and get waiver signed, and set up appointment for April award. She will let Grossman know the names of the owners for the April utility bill.

#### Community Clean-ups

Krummrich reported on a successful cleanup on March 13. She said there were 35 people helping, the best turn out ever.

She reported that Jim Winterbottom of The Dalles Disposal had donated the cost of dumping two truckloads of garbage for each event. She said there had been three loads at the weekend cleanup.

She said Rachel Carter had paid for the additional load (\$30). She asked for something to be place so that the Committee could cover these unexpected costs.

Krummich reported running out of safety vests, she asked Grossman if the City could get a good price on them. She said her research showed a range of \$5.50 to \$14.00. Grossman said she would check with Public Works.

It was moved by Butensky and seconded by Lennox to set aside \$200 for use for paying for additional truckloads of garbage. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

#### Kelly Triangle

Butensky presented a PowerPoint on the progress on the design of Kelly Triangle. (attached)

He said he and Krummrich had worked with Cindy Keever at Public Works. He said the City would set the wind spinners in concrete to reduce the chance of them being stolen.

He asked for authorization to purchase three spinners for a cost of \$1500.

Lennox said the midrange cost was high quality, sturdy and tall enough.

Krummich reviewed her report.

The Committee was in favor of the wind spinners. There was some discussion on placing them in other locations, if the three were well received and held up well.

The ideas for other locations were: Trevitt Triangle; 10<sup>th</sup> Street; the one by Montera's.

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It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Butensky to purchase three spinners from Stanwood in an amount not to exceed \$1500. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

Business Owner Brainstorming – it was decided to place this item on hold for now.

ACTION ITEMS

Downtown Clock Relighting Funding

Lennox reviewed the quote (attached). He said Jerry Anderson said the City would do the installation.

It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Butensky to authorize the purchase of the relighting materials in an amount not to exceed \$1,400. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

The next meeting will be April 7, 2021 at 5:30 pm

Items for the agenda

Progress reports

Grossman reminded the Committee to let her know if they had new business to add to the agenda.

Prince reminded the Committee to provide written reports to Grossman by deadlines.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm.

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Submitted by/  
Izetta Grossman, CMC  
City Clerk

SIGNED:

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Tiffany Prince, President

ATTEST:

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Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk

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**STOP THE DROP/SECOND SATURDAY COMMUNITY CLEAN-UPS -- REPORT FOR 4/7/21 Meeting**

**There will be a Clean-Up on April 10<sup>th</sup>!**

**I am currently scouting locations and leaning towards W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, the Skateboard Park, area around Thompson Park as the primary clean up location.**

**Guest Hosts will be: Flow Yoga Herbal Apothecary D21 School Board (thank you, John!)**

**Rachel and Aaron Carter/Columbia Toyota Honda are adamantly insisting and generously offering to cover all expenses associated with the Clean Ups. Recall that the BC had voted at the last meeting to set aside \$200 for any expenses, including the purchase of more vests and incurred at The Dalles Disposal.**

**Rachel will be ordering more vests, using a company suggested by the City.**

**We are still awaiting word from Scott Peters at ODOT regarding their offer to supply trash bags. I will regularly be collecting grain and coffee bean bags from Freebridge Brewery and Kainos. We are well-supplied for the coming event.**

**Submitted by Connie K.**

**KELLY AVE. ISLAND -- UPDATE FOR BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MTG. 4/7/2021**

On Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, Cindy Keever and I met again at The Island to further strategize.

**ROCKS/BOULDERS:** Have been put in place!

**PLANTS:** We continued to brainstorm and are considering the following (but not limited to....): heather, red twig dogwood, cotoneaster, Mexican feather grass and other grasses, English lavender, euonymous. Cindy will make final decisions and purchases. Cindy stated that there will be an upgrade to the current watering system.

**NEW TREE (to replace the tree which was removed):** Cindy is researching trees, is consulting with a company in Goldendale, and is considering either a Thundercloud Plum or a Crabapple.

**WIND SCULPTURES:** The sculptures have arrived at City Hall and will be delivered to the Public Works office.

We discussed height alterations and are recommending the following above-ground adjustments:

Double Helix: suggest lengthening to 8 feet from original 7 ½ ft.

Dancing Willow Leaves: suggest lengthening to 7 feet from original 6 feet

Spinning Ficus: suggest lengthening to 7 feet from original 6 feet

The sculptures will be cemented into the ground in a triangle formation west of the tree. The PW crew will explore with Cindy re: the wisdom of consulting with a professional welder about techniques for lengthening the metal poles and maintaining their aesthetic appeal. The goal is have the sculptures be as secure as possible –and as beautiful as possible!!

Submitted by Connie K.