

MINUTES

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING

July 21, 2021

VIA ZOOM

PRESIDING: Max Butensky

MEMBERS PRESENT: Connie Krummrich, John Nelson, Bill Lennox, Adam Rahmlow

ABSENT: Mo Burford, Tiffany Prince

GUEST: None

Staff Liaison: Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Member Max Butensky called the meeting to order at 5: 30pm.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Izetta Grossman conducted roll call; Butensky, Rahmlow, Nelson, Krummrich, Lennox present; Prince, Burford absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Nelson to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 5 to 0; Prince, Burford absent; Lennox, Nelson, Butensky, Krummrich, Rahmlow voting in favor; none opposed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Nelson to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2021 Regular Beautification Committee Meeting as presented. The motion carried 4 to 0; Prince Burford absent; Lennox, Nelson, Krummrich, Butensky voting in favor; Rahmlow abstained; none opposed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Stop the Drop/Community Clean-ups

Krummrich reported on the July 10 clean up:

- Over thirty people from LDS Church
- Worked on Sixth Street and Old Dufur Road

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Next Clean up on August 14, City Council will be the co-hosts. Will be focusing on Big Jim's and the roundabout.

Krummrich gave a quick overview of the program for Rahmlow.

Beautification Award

Committee is Krummrich, Burford, Lennox. Krummrich said next step to select the winner by Friday, to get name and address on utility bill, and on Facebook.

Krummrich said note cards and postcards are in, she said Grossman had them. They can be used to send notes to those who committee notices keep their places clean, nice, or thank you's for assistance with projects.

Grossman said she had stamps, please remind her to give stamps with the cards and postcards.

Butensky said he would send the link to the shared drive for the tracker.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/OTHER BUSINESS

Welcome Signs Next Steps

Nelson read from the minutes of the July 7, 2021 meeting: "Mayor Mays wants everyone on a clear path. He said the Committee would come up with a design, present that to Council, Council approves, then City staff will then cost it out, and proceed with development and installation. He said low maintenance, durable and he liked the river theme."

Nelson said the artist suggested that the committee stay in touch with artist and recommend aesthetics.

Nelson thought that the committee should somehow be part of the decision on the final design.

Grossman suggested that the committee add that to the recommendation to City Council.

Lennox said he would be willing to work with whomever presents to Council. Nelson said it would be great to have Lennox help with presentation.

Butensky asked what should the presentation be like. PowerPoint, written documents?

Lennox said these items would be important:

- 1) BC in support of Welcome Signage
- 2) Report on research done
- 3) Design ideas (with pictures)

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Butensky said he will take the hat design and put it on a sign design. He said to keep it simple.

Nelson said smaller sign needs to have less on it.

Butensky will work on the presentation. He said he will send the raw data to someone to create the presentation.

Rahmlow said he would be willing to do the presentation document.

Grossman recommended the second Council in September, which would be the 27th.

Krummrich said the ODOT work, basic presentation and the idea that the committee has prepared. She said Welcome to The Dalles, river theme, simplicity.

Vogt Fountain Solution

Lennox reported he spoke with Scott Baker, Executive Director of Northern Wasco County Parks and Recreation to find out why the fountain wasn't working. Baker said the fountain would work, he just didn't have the staff to babysit the fountain. Baker said he needed a volunteer, like Don Coats was, that could check on the fountain and work on the fountain as needed.

Lennox said the parks are charged commercial rates for water; 12% of the Parks budget goes to water for the parks. He suggested the committee be advocates for the City giving Parks a lower rate.

Ben Tibbets, a young man with experience in wells was interested in the project. Lennox will continue to pursue Mr. Tibbets interest.

Krummrich said Baker was right if it hadn't been for Don Coats no one probably would have fixed the fountain. She felt restoring the fountain was a big we care message.

Krummrich said if Mr. Tibbets wanted to take on the care of the Vogt Fountain, maybe Parks and Rec could give a stipend, or the Committee could help.

Krummrich said she was in support of asking the City to look at the fee schedule for water.

Day and Time of Future Meetings

Rahmlow said evening meetings twice a week wouldn't work well for him.

Grossman showed the city meeting calendar, she liked staying with the first and third, but anything the committee wanted except for the second and fourth Monday.

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The next meeting will be August 18, 2021 at 5:30 pm City Hall Upstairs Conference room, still using zoom.

Items for the agenda

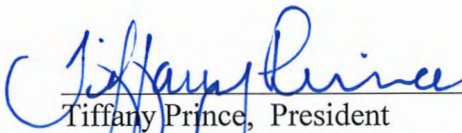
- Welcome Sign Presentation
- Date/Day Future meetings

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Submitted by/
Izetta Grossman, CMC
City Clerk

SIGNED: _____


Tiffany Prince, President

ATTEST: _____


Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk

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