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BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING

November 7, 2022

VIA ZOOM/IN PERSON

PRESIDING: Adam Rahmlow

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Nelson, Bill Lennox, Connie Krummrich

ABSENT: Tiffany Prince, Kelsey Alsheimer, Debi Ferrer

Staff Liaison: Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk
Nubia Sanchez, Executive Assistant to City Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rahmlow called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.

ROLL CALL

Executive Assistant Nubia Sanchez conducted roll call; Nelson, Lennox, Krummrich, Rahmlow present; Ferrer, Alsheimer, Prince absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Krummrich to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 4 to 0; Ferrer, Prince, Alsheimer absent; Lennox, Nelson, Krummrich, Rahmlow voting in favor; none opposed.

APPROVAL OF MINTUES

Nelson noted that the word address was missing in the minutes.
It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Krummrich to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2022 Regular Beautification Committee Meeting as presented. The motion carried 4 to 0; Ferrer, Prince, Alsheimer absent; Krummrich, Lennox, Nelson, Rahmlow voting in favor; none opposed.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Stop The Drop/All Together The Dalles Monthly Cleanup

Krummrich reviewed the report. She said the October cleanup, the Lions and high school students showed up. She noted the amount of human feces found. She suggested it could be due to no restroom at the park.

Krummrich had a budget request to purchase Steel Grip 36 in. Mechanical Pick-Up Tool 5 lb. pull to help with picking up garbage during the monthly cleanup. Krummrich said she would write up a report to support the purchase of the pick-up tool.

It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Lennox to purchase 10 Steel Grip 36 in. Mechanical Pick-Up Tool 5 lb. pull tools for trash collection not to exceed \$300 for the monthly cleanup. The motion carried 4 to 0; Ferrer, Prince, Alsheimer absent; Krummrich, Lennox, Nelson, Rahmlow voting in favor; none opposed.

Krummrich reported she spoke with Rachel Carter regarding issuing a challenge #stopthedropchallenge to other businesses on West 6th Street. She said businesses that participated in cleaning up the areas around their businesses could be recognized in the City's newsletter and website.

Lennox liked the idea and mentioned it was a wonderful way to reach the rest of the community.

Nelson if possible to extend to Safeway's backyard maybe try to get employees to help.

Nubia was asked to purchase ten pick-up tools from ACE.

Ferrer joined via zoom at 4:17pm

Trees

Ferrer's connection was unstable. She reconnected throughout the meeting.

Rahmlow gave report on the meeting with Adam Schmidt from Hood River. He noted Hood River contracts most of their tree/landscape to Crystal Green Company from Portland. He said it cost less to contract then it would to have a full time employee.

Rahmlow said Hood River had people sponsor trashcans and benches which created a sense of pride. He said it cost \$1,000 per tree and the company even recommends which kinds of trees would work best.

Ferrer shared a PowerPoint presentation (see attached) of the pictures taken on their trip to

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Redmond. She mentioned different ways Redmond had trashcans, art, or sitting options at each corner or at the center of the block. She suggested that a demo block to gain community support

Rahmlow asked if the new economic development person would work with this kind of project and Grossman said she believed they would.

Nelson mentioned that the Redmond Director would be willing to share data from Bend . He said he would also be willing to come to a meeting on a Friday to discuss further with the Committee. Before the committee can start working on an actual block for the demo, they need to wait for the new economic developer and facilities staff to be hired. In the meantime, the committee can start looking at possible trashcans, benches, etc.

The Committee asked staff to provide the Tree Planting List from Community Development Department.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Community Outreach – small grants for yard upgrade; recognition

There was discussion regarding ideas for outreach using postcards and mailers.

Ferrer said she would do more research on how the grant application process would look.

It was decided the subcommittee for grants would be Ferrer, Rahmlow and Krummrich.

There was discussion regarding if members of the Beautification Committee had to live within the City limits. Grossman read the Resolution creating the ad hoc committee. She said committee members had to live within the City limits.

She also said that the Resolution stated the Committee should actively recruit volunteers for projects.

Kelly Triangle

Nelson reported that the College asked for a budget in order to get started on sculptures. He also reported that David Mills, Transportation Manager had given the students parameters for height, wide, placement.

Krummrich said she would ask The Dalles Art Center how much their sculpture had costs. She said that would give the committee an idea of what they could expect for \$3,000.00

It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Ferrer to approve up to \$3,000 for Columbia Gorge Community College Manufacturing to create art for the Kelly Triangle. The motion carried 5 to 0; Prince, Alsheimer absent; Ferrer, Krummrich, Lennox, Nelson, Rahmlow voting in favor; none opposed

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Rahmlow said he would reach out to Prince and ask her to let the College know the next meeting date and that the Committee had a budget of \$3000.00 for the project.

Budget Review

Grossman reviewed the funding of the Beautification Committee:

- Starting Balance: \$10,000
- \$400-\$500 has been spent on a plaque for the plaza at the City Dock, but that invoice had not come in
- \$300 was just approved to be spent on the trash pick-up tools
- \$3,000 was just approved to be spent on Kelly Triangle art project

Leaving \$6,200 for future projects.

Next meeting – December 5, 2022, 4:00 p.m.

Items for next agenda:

Trees

Community Outreach

Kelly Triangle presentation by Columbia Gorge Community College Manufacturing students

Christmas Beautification Award

ADJOURNMENT


Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:36pm.

Submitted by/
Nubia Sanchez
Executive Assistant

SIGNED:


Adam Rahmlow, Chair

ATTEST:


Nubia Sanchez, Executive Assistant
Amie Ell - for record

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