

TRUMBULL BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
MINUTES - June 23, 2009

PRESENT: Sharon Altieri, Ken Martin, Debi Miller, Bob Marconi

ABSENT: Liz Nugent, Elizabeth Casey, Patricia Wright, Patricia Pavia

Special Guest: Mike Paoletto

The meeting of the Trumbull Beautification Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by K. Martin. Attendance was noted and a quorum was had.

READING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: The minutes of the May 26, 2009 meeting were discussed. S. Altieri noted that on page 2 under Beautification Awards/Redesign, where it is stated that the Commission was looking into its' own website, that it read "email address" instead. With that correction, D. Miller motioned that the minutes of the May 26, 2009 meeting be accepted as presented. B. Marconi seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The Financial Report was reviewed. There was no change since the April report, although there will be changes in the upcoming months to reflect activity in the account.

ADOPT-A-SPOT: S. Altieri and D. Miller are finalizing the language of the three fold brochure for Beautification nominations. These brochures will be placed at the library/Nature Center, etc. It was suggested that an explanation be placed on the stand where they are placed for clarification as to how to use them. They will be posted on the town website as well.

Regarding the finalization of the signs to be placed at various locations, a final version was decided on (flat tops on the posts rather than balls). D. Miller will work with the sign company for the new model.

K. Martin indicated that Christian Heritage is interested in the Route 25 ramp. A representative of the school will attend the September meeting to discuss this.

RAMP UPDATE: B. Marconi indicated that 47 new plants were put in at the old Christian Heritage spot, which is now the Town's spot. The new sign, which will have the Trumbull Beautification Commission reference on it, will be put up sometime after July 1st.

K. Martin will check with P. Pavia regarding confirmation that the Town has received approval for all of the permits which it requested from the State.

It was suggested that a thank you note be sent to ramp sponsors citing their good work, etc. K. Martin will send out. B. Marconi will also assist with replication of additional note cards as needed.

BEAUTIFICATION AWARD: D. Miller showed the final version of the award. She motioned that the Commission accept the new award design as created by S. Altieri. B. Marconi seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

D. Miller prepared the awards for the Pateracki family as well as the Keiser family for the outstanding tree award. They will be sent to the respective recipients by the Town. It was also

MARQUEE: This project is progressing. The signage has been paid for. The final draft of how the new marquee will look will be presented to K. Martin for approval.

SPECIAL GUEST: Mike Paoletto. He spoke of beekeeping and is working with Tammy Horn, a writer. He is interested in possibly covering the landfill with wild flowers and is looking for places to place hives of honey bees. He presently has hives at the Nature Center. Suggestions for possible locations or organizations to work with were the VOAG Center; Nichols Improvement Association and Twin Brooks Park. He indicated that the Parks Department is interested in his project. He will follow up with K. Martin.

BUTTERFLY GARDEN: Tabled until September.

GUARDRAIL PROJECT: Tabled until September.

S. Altieri motioned that the meeting be adjourned. B. Marconi seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Butler, Clerk