

TRUMBULL BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
MINUTES – June 22, 2010

PRESENT: Sharon Altieri, Liz Nugent, Patricia Pavia; Debi Miller, Doug Carey; Laura Ponzio

ABSENT: Bob Marconi

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

READING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: The minutes of the May 25, 2010 meeting were discussed. L. Ponzio had two corrections; one of her name on the first page and the second to correct the spelling of the word “ramp” on the second page. With those changes, P. Pavia motioned that the minutes of the May 25, 2010 meeting be accepted as presented. S. Altieri seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The Financial Report was reviewed. The charge in the roses for Doug Carey in the amount of \$153.35 was reflected in the report. There is \$2,539.35 in the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Account and \$6,013.25 in the general account. L. Nugent motioned to accept the financial report as presented. S. Altieri seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

BLIGHT ORDINANCE: This item will be tabled until such time as John Marsillio can attend one of the Commission’s meetings.

MALLET TRUST: S. Altieri will write to the Mallet Trust thanking them for their past contributions; informing them of the Commission’s progress and projects. Hopefully they will again make a donation to the Commission this year.

GUARDRAIL ROSES: P. Pavia inquired as to the whereabouts of the roses. The Town sent the check for payment to the company, but they allotted the monies to another account in error. This has been corrected and they should be arriving either by this Friday, June 25th or early next week.

DAFFODIL GIVEAWAY: P. Pavia passed out pictures of the King Alfred Jumbo daffodil to be utilized for the giveaway. It is \$520/1000 for the regular size and \$610/1000 for the jumbo. If these were to be ordered, they would have to be ordered now. It was decided that we would probably have to order 1500 so that we could give away bulbs to the ramp sponsors as well. L. Nugent motioned that the Commission purchase 1500 King Alfred Jumbo bulbs from Van Engelen Inc. for the Daffodil Giveaway. D. Miller seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

P. Pavia will check to see how many bags she has. She does have a few of the small signs at her home. She will email everyone with the delivery date once the bulbs are ordered so that a date for the giveaway can be selected.

BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS: L. Nugent nominated Priscilla Regnery of 50 Woodbridge Circle for landscape designs. D. Carey brought the Beautification Signs which would be put at the homes of the recipients (if they agreed to have it posted) as well as a release letter. This release letter would be executed by the home/business owner to give permission or block permission to have their name/address, etc. put on the town website or in the newspaper. The members took the signs as well as some past awards and will distribute.

D. Carey had ordered the signs and paid for them with his personal credit card. He will submit the bill to the financial department, obtain a PO for reimbursement. D. Miller will follow up with posting the recipients of the awards to the web.

RAMP UPDATE: D. Carey indicated that he met with Deborah Cox regarding the Ramp projects. He told her that it is a large project, which maybe the Commission can or should not handle on their own. She felt that the Commission needs to change the rules and regulations that are in place, e.g., restricting companies from putting their logos on the signs. She also suggested that the Commission hire a landscaper – at a low cost – which cost could be borne by the sponsor, but then they would not have to deal with trying to find someone to maintain their area. Discussion was had regarding possibly utilizing either of the two landscape companies that are presently sponsoring locations in town.

D. Carey invited her to tonight's meeting, but she was not available. It was also mentioned that Dave Gallo of Peoples Bank is interested in a location. D. Miller tried to contact him a couple of times but has not been successful. It was also indicated that Fred Gunther of Higgins Group is still interested in a location.

It was evident from the discussion that many aspects of this project need to be addressed and it was suggested that the members meet for a separate brainstorming meeting to discuss this matter. It was decided that the members would meet on **Tuesday, July 27th at 7:00 at D. Miller's house which is located at 15 Classic Drive.**

P. Pavia inquired as to whether the new sign had been placed at the White Plains Road location. It should be up after the 1st of July.

P. Pavia motioned that the meeting be adjourned. L. Nugent seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Butler, Clerk