

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION MINUTES June 6, 2023

In attendance: Lynne Mosteller, Sally Hayes, Sharon Smith, Julianne Mundy, Julie Mantay, Kimberly Meisel, Gail Thomas (guest), Michelle Todorov (guest),
Brandon McCullough (Facilities)

- 1) Brandon McCullough, Facilities Manager, reported that he is having a design drawn for the back area with a \$10,000 budget set for spring 2024. He has \$2000-\$3000 in the budget for this year that can be used toward planters in the back once the BC decides on the most appropriate planters. Sprinklers will be checked at the end of the week, including the flagpole box and Friendship Garden. The BC is considering replacing or repositioning the brick pavers that surround the Friendship Garden since several have become displaced. Scope of project TBD, Brandon suggested possibly using Quick Help to lay the bricks.
- 2) Agenda was approved with no changes.
- 3) Meeting minutes from May 9, 2023 were approved, motion was made by Julianne, 2nd by Sharon.
- 4) Awards 2023 – The Awards will be conducted the same as in 2022. Announcement of the judging will be provided via an individual email to winners from the prior 3 years, a Township Facebook post, a posting on the BC page of the Township website, and by physical display on the front windows of Township Hall. Commissioners picked their assigned areas and will report their suggestions for winners at the July 11th meeting. At that time, the commissioners will decide on the 2 special award recipients. Lynne will confirm that the luncheon will be held again this year.
- 5) Budget update – Expenses since last meeting are for 6 flats purchased with funds from the Wildflower Association of MI donation, total cost \$462.30. More plants will be ordered as they become available in August.
- 6) New Business – replanting of the Bennett Arboretum walls will begin on Friday June 16th, Lynne will pick up plants from Feral Flora this week. Commissioners will bring their own hand tools and water jugs and will meet at the wall at 9AM.
- 7) Unfinished business --Lynne has not heard back from Nate Reilly at Parks & Rec regarding the status of the damaged bench from the BA Path. Brandon will check with Nate.
--No estimate is available yet for the 3 tiered pots similar to what is used in the City downtown area. The company that provided the pots to the DDA was bought by another company and the exact pots are no longer being produced. Julie suggested requesting a quote from the company that manufactured the benches used in front of the building.

NEXT MEETING JUNE 11, 2023