NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION MINUTES July 11, 2023

In attendance: Lynne Mosteller, Sharon Smith, Julianne Mundy, Julie Mantay, Kimberly Meisel,
Brandon McCullough (Facilities)

- 1) Brandon McCullough, Facilities Manager, reported that all sprinklers on Township Hall grounds are now in good working order. The Friendship Garden sprinklers still require manual turn on. He has requested \$25,000 for improvements in the area behind Township Hall in 2024, this amount is awaiting approval. Lynne shared several styles of commercial grade metal planters to be added to the eating area behind Township Hall. Estimated cost for 3 planters plus shipping is \$4000. Brandon will check with his supplier for a discounted price.
- 2) Agenda was approved with no changes.
- 3) Meeting minutes from June 6, 2023 were approved, motion was made by Sharon, 2nd by Julie.
- 4) Awards 2023 Commissioners reviewed photos and had a lengthy discussion regarding award winners for 2023 and also decided on recipients for the 2 special awards. Home 2 Suites by Hilton will receive the Corporate Pride Award and Deadwood Bar & Grill will receive the Best in Township Award. Commissioners will double check on a couple of properties under consideration and then all winners will receive an Award sign that will be dropped off by a commissioner in the next few days and then retrieved by July 31st.
- 5) Budget update Remaining funds for 2023 expenses are as follows: Township budget \$2082.29, BA Wall donation budget \$874.95, Flower urn donation budget \$609.13, WAM Grant for replanting BA Wall \$787.70.
- 6) New Business City BC Chair, Diane Pittaway reached out to Lynne regarding changing the location and food for the Annual Awards Luncheon this year. Diane suggested perhaps using Mill Race as the venue and hosting an ice cream social or a casual luncheon in the church building with only Beautification members and winners. Commissioners present in today's meeting, in summary, felt this was not allowing enough notice to the Rotary who has hosted the luncheon for many years in the past. Additional feedback for the future included alternating hosting duties every year with the City BC. Commissioners liked the idea of perhaps using the front lobby of Township Hall as a venue in an evening event with finger food and presentations from the Beautification Commissions for their award recipients.
- 7) Unfinished business per Brandon, bench will be repaired and restored to BA Path soon.