

MEETING MINUTES  
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION  
JULY 16, 2024 - 6:00 P.M.  
FARMINGTON HILLS CITY HALL – COMMUNITY ROOM  
31555 ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS, MI

**CALL TO ORDER BY:** Chairman Clar at 6:00 PM. in the City Hall Community Room.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Alex Clar, Kathie Brown, Rita Roberts, Betti Pool, Robert Levine, JoAnn Rowland, Jawahar Babu (arrived late)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jarel Readous

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tracey Emmanuel, Staff Liaison

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Pool, second by Levine, to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried: 6-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Roberts, second by Brown, to approve the minutes of June 18, 2024 as submitted. Motion carried: 6-0.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**REVIEW OF CALENDAR**

No changes.

**OLD BUSINESS ITEM:**

A. Beautification Awards

1. About 55 entrants this year versus 73 last year. Judging materials returned.
2. Possible speakers for Commission to look into: Brush Mowing - Woodland Hills Park to rejuvenate the park. Contact city employee April Heier 248-473-1884; DNR - Deer preventive measures; Native Gardening; Wild Ones; MI Botanical Society; Pollinator gardens.
3. Next meeting: pick the flower for the awards and programs; catering.

B. Budget Review

1. Budget increased to \$7,000 for 2024-2025. In 2023, we spent \$4,144.44.

C. BCSEM Quarterly Meeting Updates

1. Discussed hosting Spring 2025 meeting - June 12, 2025. Usually 60 – 65 people, \$20.00 registration fee, raffle with items provided by BC asking business for donations, speakers are optional, can pick gardening-type speakers and others are officials from the hosting city, possible venue for event could be Huron River Club (Brown a member and will investigate) or Longacre. Last year's BC Awards ceremony held at Costick cost a total of \$3,867.56, of which \$1,964.80 was spent on catered food.

Motion by Pool, second by Clar, to host the BCSEM Spring 2025 Quarterly Meeting to be held on June 12, 2025, venue location to be determined. Motion carried: 6-0.

**NEW BUSINESS ITEMS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Roberts asked what is happening at Ginapolis site. Proposed gas station.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** August 20, 2024

**MEETING ADJOURNED BY:** Chair Clar at 6:46 PM.