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MEETING MINUTES
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
August 20, 2019 – 6:00 PM
CITY HALL – SOUTH CONFERENCE ROOM
31555 ELEVEN MILE ROAD

CALL TO ORDER BY: Jen Chinn at 6:06 PM. in the City Hall South Conference Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jen Chinn, Kathie Brown, Rita Robert, Katherine Massey, Carol Kurth, Betti Pool and Sherry Jones.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Valerie Knol, City Council Liaison and Charmaine Kettler-Schmult, Staff Liaison

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 16, 2019: Motion by Carol Kurth, second by Betti Pool, to approve the minutes of July 16, 2019 as submitted. Motion carried: 7-0.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Staff announced the passing of Beautification Commission member, Carol Posby. Discussion of remembrances options were discussed: proclamation from City Council, planting of a shrub or plant at her Condominium clubhouse or a donation in her honor at AAUW or Farmington Players Barn. The Commissioners will continue the conversation at the next meeting.

BCSEM Luncheon information was distributed to members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Katherine Massey, second by Rita Roberts to approve the agenda with the addition of item 7B. Native Plant Sale. Motion carried: 7-0.

REVIEW OF CALENDAR: The Commissioners reviewed the calendar. The date for the Spring Plant Swap was discussed. However, the Commissioners want to avoid an overlap with Rouge Rescue. The dates suggested (May 16 or 30) will be checked against the Rouge calendar before the date is confirmed.

OLD BUSINESS ITEM

- BC Award Program –
 - Judging Assignments - Judging materials were being turned in. A few locations are being finished up this week. Sherry Jones has received the judging materials Carol Posby was not able to complete. She will have a few more weeks to complete.
 - Guest Speaker – Sherry Jones, Jen Chinn and Valerie Knol offered to make calls to see if anyone from Belle Isle, Detroit Zoo or MSU Tollgate Gardens can send a speaker for the Awards Program.
- Native Plant Sale – Update on the event from Jen Chinn. She has been in contact with a company that has organized other native plant sales in the area. She will continue to work on this event for a date in the spring that will match the plant swap. Once the date is set, space reservation will be researched.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: Betti Pool asked for a list of media outlets to use to post garden walk.

Rita expressed frustration in judging subdivision locations that have listed multiple locations, entrances, cul-de-sacs or areas that are behind gates. Valerie suggested an update to the nomination form may be necessary to educate the nominators on the goal of the program and what areas the Commissioners will be judging. The Commissioners agreed the judging should be of publicly viewed entrances along main roads.

Meeting adjourned: Motion to adjourn by Jen Chinn at 7:02 P.M.