

MEETING MINUTES
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
JANUARY 21, 2025 - 6:00 P.M.
FARMINGTON HILLS CITY HALL – COMMUNITY ROOM
31555 ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS, MI

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alex Clar, Kathie Brown, Jawahar Babu, Robert Levine, JoAnn Rowland, Kailee Sosnowski (new member introduced herself to commission)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Tracey Emmanuel, Staff Liaison

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Babu, second by Rowland, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried: 6-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Brown, second by Rowland to approve the minutes of November 19, 2024 as submitted. Motion carried: 6-0.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you card from Marketplace commenting on the wonderful Awards banquet and presentation. BCSEM Winter Newsletter. Emmanuel alerted the City Manager's office that we have vacancies for three regular and two alternate members.

REVIEW OF CALENDARS

No changes.

OLD BUSINESS ITEM

A. None

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

A. BCSEM June 12, 2025 Quarterly Meeting Update

1. Brown went over a to-do list in preparation for hosting the meeting that included:

- Huron River Club: Decide whether to honor sales tax exemption. If not, Emmanuel will check if the Hawk is available
- Typical itinerary presented
- Secure dignitaries and presenters
- Identify and invite speakers. Suggested speakers: Nature Center employees Ashley Smith, April Heier, Bonnie Hollander, Parks Maintenance-Woodland Hills Park restoration, MSU Extension

- Create invitations and programs
 - Solicit 20-25 raffle items from businesses or personal donations
 - Emmanuel provided budget status
- B.** Draft BC Annual Report 2024 and Goals for 2025 - Report and Goals reviewed. Motion by Levine, second by Rowland to accept the 2024 Annual Report & 2025 Goals as submitted. Motion Carried: 6-0.
- C.** Annual Carol Posby Litter Walk – Brown (2024 Coordinator) outlined the duties and steps required for organizing the Litter Walk. Babu volunteered as 2025 Coordinator. Previous participants to be contacted in February. Information will be posted on city website and social media.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: Levine: Asked if anyone recalled the challenge grant for river cleanup mentioned last year. Suggested investigating its availability for 2025. Emmanuel added it may have been a grant from EGLE.

NEXT MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 18, 2025

MEETING ADJOURNED BY: Chair Clar at 7:10 PM

Submitted by Kathie Brown, Secretary