

CITY OF BERKLEY
BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING
Wednesday, September 25, 2024
6:30 P.M. 2nd Floor Public Safety Building

PRESENT: Dan Mihaescu (Chair)
Stephen Bard
Taylor Beach
Lynn Khadra

IN ATTENDANCE:

**EXCUSED
ABSENCES** Jeremy Coan
Gary Elrod
Anela Mihaescu
Greg Patterson (City Council Liaison)

ABSENCES: Ethan Fogle
Jennifer Smitterberg

AGENDA

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes August 28, 2024
3. Update on School District Tree Planting
4. Update on Interest in Adopt a Garden
5. October Planting and Clean Up
6. Holiday Luminary or Equivalent Idea for Coolidge
7. Other Items
8. Adjourn

Meeting was called to order.

- 1. Agenda for the Meeting was approved**
- 2. Minutes of the August 28th, 2024 Meeting were approved**

3. Update on School District Tree Planting

Dan informed the Committee that he reached out to the Berkley School District and was informed that the school district has to manage the planting of trees on Sunnyknoll. Dan forwarded the Marine City (Berkley Tree Supplier) contact info to Chris Smallwood of the Berkley School District to further that effort.

4. Update on Interest in Adopt a Garden

Lynn informed the Committee that she received responses from 23 residents that would be interested in the Adopt a Garden program. Lynn will send out a communication conveying the guidelines and will continue to promote the program.

5. October Planting and Cleanup

Dan reminded the Committee that the Committee will perform a fall planting and clean up of Friends Park on October 13th at 9:00am. The Committee will plant hostas and other plants donated by Committee members and residents. He will inform the student volunteers of the event.

6. Holiday Luminary Display

The Committee discussed information obtained and ideas for the Luminary display along Coolidge. Dan will reach out to Mike McGuinness of the Downtown Development Authority to potentially coordinate efforts.

7. Other Items

The Committee discussed ideas related to the Community Center area spruce up efforts including a living wall option. The Committee will continue to explore options for the Community Center area.

Next Meeting scheduled for October 23rd on the 2nd Floor of the Public Safety Building at 6:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16.

Minutes prepared by: Stephen Bard, Secretary, October 20, 2024.