

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN
BEAUTIFICATION / HISTORICAL COMMISSION
OCTOBER 16, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Brownstown Beautification / Historical Commission was held at the Brownstown Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Tuesday, October 16, 2012. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pfau at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Pfau, Boritzki, Sheldon, Szymanski and Walters. Also in attendance was Recreation Director Maxe.

ABSENT and EXCUSED: Whitecotton

MINUTE APPROVAL: Motion of **Szymanski**, supported by Walters, to approve the Beautification/Historical meeting minutes of September 18, 2012, as submitted. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion of **Golovich**, supported by **Walters**, to approve the Beautification / Historical Commission agenda of October 16, 2012, as submitted. All present voting aye.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT: There was no one in attendance with information to give a report.

GARDEN PROJECT: The gardeners have removed their items from the garden area. Letters have been mailed inviting those who had gardens this year to retain their existing plot or reserve a new plot.

CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT PLANS: As work continues on the Event Barn, the roads and parking lots in that area have been cut in and it is easier to get an idea what the finished area is going to look like.

The trailer is now in place for moving the Thorn Park playground to the new area. Once it is removed, work will begin on the splash pad and new playground equipment. All of this should be complete by spring.

OTHER BUSINESS: Szymanski presented pictures for the members to decide which sign picture should be submitted to the Southeastern Michigan Beautification Commission (SEMBC) for their 50th Anniversary Brochure.

Members discussed the existing signs and then talked about locations for new signs. Maxe suggested that they choose exact locations for the signs before submitting any request to the Township Board for approval.

There was a brief discussion about the Farmer's Market. Members are not sure if their assistance is still needed.

Sheldon suggested that the Event Barn would be a nice location to host a meeting for the SEMBC in 2014 or 2015, if they can do some fundraising to pay for the event.

Sheldon also suggested that the Commission could sponsor a "Yard of the Month" program. The cost of the program would be minimal, a certificate of recognition, and a sign placed in the yard.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion of **Sheldon** supported by **Golovich**, to adjourn the Beautification / Historical Commission meeting at 7:45 p.m. All present voting aye.