

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN
BEAUTIFICATION / HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MARCH 18, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Brownstown Beautification / Historical Commission was held at the Brownstown Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Tuesday, March 18, 2014. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pfau at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

ABSENT: Boritzki

EXCUSED: Golovich

MINUTE APPROVAL: Motion of Walters, supported by Sheldon, to approve the Beautification/Historical meeting minutes of February 18, 2014, with the notation that Burke was excused. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion of Szymanski, supported by Walters, to approve the Beautification / Historical Commission agenda of March 18, 2014, as submitted. All present voting aye.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT: Burke reported that the annual Garage Sale has been cancelled for the month of May; however, they are considering having one in September. The Society will hold an Open House at the Museum during the Farmers Market, beginning June 6, 2014 and may offer books for sale during that time.

The signs for the Garden will be completed after the exact verbiage is determined.

GARDEN PROJECT: Maxe stated that he anticipates all of the raised bed garden plots being sold, as well as about 90% of the other ones.

CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT PLANS: Phase II West has a target date of May 1, 2014 for completion of the Splash Pad with a tentative Grand Opening scheduled for the end of May. At the Event Barn/Museum area, only about 5% is left to complete, including the landscaping, the asphalt (top coat) and a few punch list items.

2014 SIGN PROJECT: Formal quotes are being requested from Townsend Neon for the four signs. The location for the 4th sign may change from the northbound location on West Jefferson to eastbound on Gibraltar, east of I-75.

GARDEN WALK: Sheldon stated that she recently met with Barbara Wilson to discuss how Trenton handles their Walk. They charge a fee of \$7.00 in advance or \$8.00 the day of the walk. The time period is limited to 5 hours. Tickets are also sold for a luncheon (\$5 to cover the cost of the meal) that is provided the day of the Walk. The day of the event, participants must begin at the Cultural Center, where they present their ticket and receive their map. Vendors are also at the launch site. The Quilting Club of Trenton also participates in the event, displaying a quilt at each of the 5 locations. A member of the Quilting Club is stationed at each home, along with the homeowner.

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Burke was excused at 7:30 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS: Members discussed Sheldon's suggestion of "Beautiful Business of the Month" and the "Best of Brownstown" idea from last year.

PUBLIC FORUM:

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

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