

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN
BEAUTIFICATION / HISTORICAL COMMISSION
JUNE 17, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Brownstown Beautification / Historical Commission was held at the Brownstown Community Center, 21311 Telegraph Road, on Tuesday, June 17, 2014. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pfau at 7:05 p.m.

PRESENT: Pfau, Boritzke, Burke, and Walters. Also in attendance was Recreation Assistant Director Thomas.

ABSENT: Sheldon

EXCUSED: Golovich, Szymanski

MINUTE APPROVAL: Motion of Burke, supported by Boritzke, to approve the Beautification/Historical meeting minutes of May 20, 2014, as submitted. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion of Walters, supported by Burke, to approve the Beautification / Historical Commission agenda of June 17, 2014, as submitted. All voting aye.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT: Burke stated the members discussed the upcoming membership recruiting strategy. They are planning to send a letter to all of the Bridgewater residents. Few books have been sold during the Farmer's Market, so far.

GARDEN PROJECT: Thomas stated that the raised beds sold out a couple of months ago. More 10 x 20 beds have been added and people are still buying them.

CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT PLANS: Next month, the bid will go out for the parking lot. The Splash Pad opened on Memorial Day and has been busy every warm day since. Two staff members were hired to help keep the area clean and monitor the head count in the Splash Pad. Yesterday, there was a line of kids waiting to get into the area. The Thorn Park pavilion is not being rented this summer but is being used daily. People have shown up as early as 6:00 a.m. to decorate and reserve a portion of the pavilion for a party since it is available on a first come, first serve basis.

The Softball fields are projected for being moved around November of 2015.

2014 SIGN PROJECT: Pricing was not available for the members to discuss. Townsend Neon is having a struggle with the fiber optics in the Marquee and Clock Tower signs. Maxe will have more information at the next meeting regarding the signs, as discussed in the previous meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Garden Walk: Boritzke reported that only 4 of the 9 homeowners contacted were willing to participate in the Garden Walk and one of them was on vacation. Another owner was checking the date and one of the phone numbers was disconnected. Members discussed waiting until there were 8-9 participants. One local garden walk charges \$10 per person and is a fundraiser for the Soroptomist club.

Motion of Walters, supported by Boritzke to postpone the Garden Walk until next year for better participation. All voting aye.

Yard of the Month: Pfau stated that Szymanski reported that Kurtzhals was happy to donate a certificate for the July and August Yard of the Month winners. Thomas reported that there was only one nomination for the Month of June. Motion of Walters, supported by Boritzke to cancel the Yard of the Month tour for June and until there are at least four nominees. All voting aye.

PUBLIC FORUM: none

ADJOURNMENT: Motion of Walters, supported by Boritzke, to adjourn the Beautification / Historical Commission meeting at 7:30 p.m. All present voting aye.

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