

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN
BEAUTIFICATION / HISTORICAL COMMISSION
APRIL 21, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Brownstown Beautification/Historical Commission was held at the Brownstown Township Community Center, 21311 Telegraph Road, on Tuesday, April 21, 2015. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pfau at 7:02 p.m.

PRESENT: Pfau, Burke, Golovich, Sheldon, Szymanski, Walters and Recreation Assistant Director Thomas.

ABSENT: Boritzke

MINUTE APPROVAL: Motion of Sheldon, supported by Walters, to approve the Beautification/Historical Commission minutes of March 17, 2015, with the correction of changing the month of December to June 2016 for possible hosting of BCSEM meeting. All present voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion of Golovich, supported by Sheldon, to approve the Beautification/Historical Commission agenda of April 21, 2015, as submitted. All present voting aye.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT: Member Burke stated no meeting has been held but brochures are being mailed.

GARDEN PROJECT: The Garden Beds are in the process of being assigned to gardeners. Work has begun to prepare the gardens. Member Sheldon stated that she spoke to Leslie at Lincoln Park regarding their interest in starting a community garden. Leslie would like to send someone over to look at our gardens. Member Szymanski agreed to show them around.

CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT PLANS: Recreation Assistant Director Thomas stated that the Frost Law was lifted yesterday (April 20) and that landscaping and work on the fountain out front will begin. Member Sheldon was directed to the DDA regarding concerns that she had over handicap accessible parking spots.

2015 PROJECTS: Chairperson Pfau stated that the 2015 projects are the gardens, Yard of the Month Contest and the Annual Bulky Pickup. Members discussed acquiring the Gift Card Prizes from possible local businesses. Member Burke stated that she will perform the task of asking Kurtzal's to sponsor the contest again this year. Member Golovich suggested adding a Halloween house decorating contest to the 2015 Projects, in lieu of or in addition to the Annual Christmas house decorating contest.

Member Walters left the meeting at 7:35 pm.

Member Sheldon, again, read aloud a letter that she would like to present to the Township Board Officials requesting monies to attend the Beautification Commission of Southeast Michigan (BCSEM) meeting in Flat Rock in September. The letter may also include a request for approval to host a BCSEM meeting at the Township Event Center in December. Additional monies would be needed but could be minimal if donations from local businesses are requested.

Motion by Golovich, supported by Szymanski, to submit a letter to Recreation Director Maxe to place on the Township Agenda Recreation Report requesting monies for Beautification members to attend the June BCSEM meeting in Flat Rock at a cost of \$15.00 per member.

Member Sheldon discussed the possibility of making memorial benches or plaques to place on existing benches available for residents to purchase.

OTHER BUSINESS: The Township Signs are in need of clean up. Members discussed getting together to clean up some of the signs. The Firefighters might help with some of the clean up.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion of Golovich, supported by Burke, to adjourn the Beautification / Historical Commission meeting at 8:02 p.m. All present voting aye.

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