

Columbiana Beautification Board

March 6, 2023

The Meeting was called to order by Lisa Davis, Chairperson. Members present were Fran Folmar, Kim King, Emily Gravitt, Helen Gibson, Hope Finely, Stephanie Roulier, and Susan Conn.

The meeting was called to order.

Financial Report:

- Balance: \$18,035.31 includes funding income raised by the Board.
- Outstanding Purchases: Tea Party Tickets costing \$84 and Arbor Day tree signs were purchased at \$8 each and can be reused.

Minutes were approved.

Old Business

- Cowboy Day décor has been cleaned and stored.
- Beautification Board (BB) website was updated with Cowboy Day photos.
- Trina Miller and spouse donated the painted photo cowboy sign.
- Arbor Day was a success. Ways to improve for next year have been noted. A meeting will be held in March to consider Columbiana becoming a member of Tree City USA.
- The City Council approved the removal of shrubs bordering the road in the City Cemetery. Lisa reported the families that planted the shrubs agreed with the removal of shrubs.
- The City Council approved the removal of shrubs in the intersection of Washington, Ferry Road, and College Street.
- The City Council approved the removal of shrubs blocking the City Hall sign and will have the shrubs bordering the building manicured.

New Business

Easter Bunny Tea

- The Easter Bunny Tea will be held April 1 @ 1:00. Board members will meet at 9:00 am to prep for the party. Black pants, bunny ears, and aprons will be worn.
- Tickets will be \$10 a ticket for each participant age 1 and up.
- The Easter Bunny Tea will have reserved tables available and additional tables will have assigned seating. Groups will be assigned to tables depending on the total number in each group.
- Easter Bunny photos will be made as participants enter and 5X7s photos can be purchased for \$5.
- Amy Vansant will be donating cupcakes.
- Matching tee shirts for board members will be researched.

Clean Up Day

- Clean Up Day: Saturday, April 22 @ 8 am
- Members will reach out to groups for assistance. Groups include: Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Schools, and Churches (Hope-Cultivate, and Focus, Helen-Methodist Church, Kim-Baptist Church, Contact Person ?-Church of Latter Day Saints)
- Clean Up Day will be advertised using banners and the video board

Planters

- The planters including the City Hall pots and the Old Court House pots will probably need new plants to replace plants due to the extreme and long lasting cold winter weather.
- New planters will need to be emptied due to vast root systems that formed in the pots.
- BB will collaborate to water planters.
- Downtown beds may become ours to plant.
- Emily and Helen will work on purchasing plants for downtown pots.

Projects

- The BB voted unanimously to purchase 4 new benches to add to the downtown area including the brickwork patio area downtown at the corner of Main St and Depot St. A second bench will be placed below the video board located in Old Mill Square. The BB members will be looking for placement ideas for the remaining two benches.
- Pricing for adding new planters beside the two new bench locations listed earlier will be researched. .

March Beautification Awards

Yard of the Month- Home of Scott and Taylor Owen on Mildred Street

Business Yard of the Month- Sweet Treats Bird Supply on South Main Street

The Meeting was adjourned.

The next Board Meeting will be held in the City Hall's Conference Room, April 3 @ 6:00 pm.