

CITY OF BERKLEY

BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

Virtual Meeting

PRESENT: Dan Mihaescu (Chair) (Calling from Berkley, MI)
Stephen Bard (Secretary) (Calling from Berkley, MI)
Nick Armstrong (Calling from Berkley, MI)
Jeremy Coan (Calling from Berkley, MI)
Lynn Khadra (Calling from Berkley, MI)
Anela Mihaescu (Calling from Berkley, MI)
Jennifer Smitterberg (Calling from Berkley, MI)

IN ATTENDANCE: Natalie Price (City Council Liaison) (Calling from Berkley, MI)

EXCUSED Jim Fritsch
ABSENCES Jennifer Hance
Charlene Kondrat

ABSENCES: Kara Damphousse

AGENDA

1. Welcome new member: Lynn Khadra
2. Update on Annual Tree Walk
3. Spring Clean-up/Other Project Dates
4. Partner with Berkley Gardeners?

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 P.M.

1. Welcome new member: Lynn Khadra

D. Mihaescu introduced new member Lynn Khadra and the Committee welcomed her.

2. Update on Annual Tree Walk

The 2021 Annual Tree walk was a success with 222 trees planted in the fall of 2021. The

Spring tree planting of 30 trees, consisting of 24 varieties, will occur in May of 2022. The Spring planting cost is approximately \$10,000 of which \$4,000 will be from the DTE Grant and the remaining portion will be from the current year City budget. There is a waiting list of approximately 200 residents from the 2021 Tree walk and therefore a Tree walk will not be held in 2022. D. Mihaescu mentioned he will send a tree care communication used in Troy to S.Bard to perhaps integrate with the Berkley Tree care guidelines.

3. Spring Clean-up/Project Discussion and Dates

Potential project discussion included cleaning up the bus stop area on Woodward, clean-up and improvements to Friends Park and the Tot lot. The Committee decided to meet with garden tools and recycle bags at the Crispelli's parking lot on Monday, May 2nd at 6:30 to clean up the nearby bus stop area. The Committee will discuss and assess other 2022 projects at that time.

4. Partner with Berkley Gardeners?

The Committee discussed partnering with the Berkley gardeners to work on future beautification projects together. D. Mihaescu will reach out to that group to determine interest and possible projects.

Next Meeting scheduled for May 25th at Pinspiration, 2733 Coolidge at 6:30 pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:25 P.M.

Minutes prepared by: Stephen Bard (Secretary), May 2nd, 2022.