

**Town of Londonderry, Vermont
Beautification Commission
Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2020
1211 Thompsonburg Road, South Londonderry**

The meeting began at 10:15 AM at 1211 Thompsonburg Road, South Londonderry.

Present were Helen Hamman, Martha Dale, Bonny Johnson, Pam Abraham, Gale Kuhlberg, Gail Mann and Barb Wells.

Minutes from May 19, 2020 Beautification Commission meeting were approved.

Treasurer Report: As of June 16 the balance is \$9.96. Beginning July 1 the balance will be \$3150.00. Expenses for July will be a bill from Glebe Mountain Gardeners for planting and taking care of our bridge boxes and mowing the area across from Londonderry Market.

Beautification Projects:

- Town Office Garden has new colorful plants: Pam and Bonny are in charge of planting and watering.
- Triangle across from Londonderry Market: Looks lovely. Helen and Gale will weed garden in the near future.
- Mobil Barrel: Gale and Helen fertilized the soil. Barb planted and watered until watering schedule begins. It was suggested that new soil be added in the fall. Martha suggested we contact Thorn Thompson, owner of land next to gas station with the idea of getting together to improve the corner. More plants or large planters would have a more attractive impact.
- Brown Enterprises garden: Barb and Gail will weed in the coming week. Daffodils look great this spring.
- Bridge boxes: Agreed that the boxes are beautiful thanks to Glebe's planting and watering during early spring. Adding boxes along Rt 100 on bridge over the West River added a lot. Suggested we add more on other side next year. Need to consider expense and whether Glebe has room for more boxes.
- Helen will connect with Curt Cowles about mowing the area across from Londonderry Market. Hope to have that done mid July.

Martha said the watering sign up online is going well. Reminder on Facebook was very helpful. Ideally it would be great to hire someone with a truck and water tank to water all summer, but we don't have the funds.

The wall across from The Mill continues to be an embarrassment. Suggested that we could combine with Project Londonderry to possibly have a fundraiser to improve appearance. Maybe make it look like a stone wall.

Londonderry signs were discussed at great length. Was felt they need better visibility. Need to cut back growth around some signs. They also might need painting with a brighter color or more plantings around the bases. Could be another project to organize with Project Londonderry.

Before next meeting members will look around town for areas where we could plant more daffodils. Helen can order bulbs in August.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 18, 2020 at 10:30 AM at 1211 Thompsonburg Road, South Londonderry.

Submitted by Barb Wells