

Town of Londonderry
Beautification Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 1, 2022

Present: Committee members Barbara Wells, Bonny Johnson, Gale Kuhlberg (via telephone), Pam Abraham

Absent: Martha Dale

Meeting minutes: The meeting minutes from the June 27th meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: A 2022 balance of \$3150 does not include payments due to Glebe Mountain (\$478) and Rotary (\$250). With the remaining \$2422.00, we anticipate \$1500 due to Glebe for the 2023 bridge box flowers, and \$475 for fall mums. A balance of ~\$475 will remain to spend in 2023.

Update on town gardens and bridge boxes:

- **Brown's:** Very green as blossoms have died back. Pam offered to cut some back
- **Triangle:** Edges and tops of baptisia trimmed. May need more trimming for traffic visibility; Gale will help
- **Williams Bridge boxes:** Kudos to Dan Tobin for watering.
- **Yin/Yang Bridge boxes:**
 - Pam to write thank you to OMG nursery for gift of free annuals.
 - Boxes vary in moisture retention due to different depths or materials. Consider approaching rotary for Improved boxes and possibly raising them for better visibility.
 - Consider also grouping the boxes closer together next year.
 - Use brighter colored flowers next year.
- **Town garden:** Mulch in 2023

Update on watering schedule: Week of 8/8 poorly committed. Comment made that sign up was fewer this year

Update on Town Entrance Signs:

- Pam to reach out to Rick on status
- South Londonderry design proposed by Rick accepted
- 7/11 Rick updated original order without change to estimate

Mums Order for Fall:

- Will repeat order of 90 mums as in 2021
- Will order mums end of September to be delivered to Wells' house. (PMN: 8/1 Barb ordered mums from Allen Brothers to be delivered between Sept 19 and 23. The price is still \$5/mum, but delivery is now \$75 rather than \$40.)
- Contact Gnarly Roots about clearing triangle at end of September (PMN: 8/1 Barb emailed Jennifer from Gnarly Roots asking her to cut back the triangle the third week in September.)

- Plan to plant early October. Will discuss mum planting assignments at 8/29 meeting

Discuss pine tree purchase/planting: Committee to present schema to Select Board at 8/15 meeting

New Business:

- Thank you notes for waterers to be signed at 8/29 meeting
- New members needed following resignation of Helen Hamman. Ask Martha to us Facebook to recruit

Next Meeting: August 29, 2022 at Wells house

Meeting adjourned at 10:30am

Submitted by:

Bonny Johnson