

City of Madison
Beautification and Tree Board
Tuesday, March 15, 2016
Council Chambers, City Hall
5:30 p.m.



Attendees:

Karen Lawler, Beth Agee, Meredith Kilby, Amber Braman, Marsha Harris, Julie Ray, Karen Forsyth, Hollye Raines and, Liz Smith.

Absent:

Alice Tucker and Gerald Clark

Minutes

Proceedings:

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Karen Lawler.

The minutes from the meeting held February 16, 2016 were approved with a minor correction.

Treasurer's Report

Julie Ray reported that the current balance is \$24,363.68

Arbor Day Workshop

Having the workshop in the Council Chambers worked out extremely well. A great location! The guest speakers did a great job! Liz Smith stated she has had several potential speakers express interest in speaking at next year's event. She suggested we might consider a longer or an all-day event next year.

Beautification Awards/Judging

Amber Braman reported the judging will be May 19. Everyone is to meet at City Hall at 8:30 a.m.

Applications are being accepted online. Checks are due May 7. Applications will also be sent via mail, email, and hand delivered as needed. Meredith Kilby will prepare a paper application form.

Amber shared that the standard sheets for judging had been updated. Meredith agreed to prepare a slide show for the judges to show them some good properties at 100%, 95%, etc., prior to departing on the judging routes.

The award certificates will be prepared for the Mayor and Karen Lawler's signatures. The properties receiving 100% will receive an Excellence plaque.

For the luncheon, Amber stated we will have fresh flowers for the tables. Large floral arrangements will be at the front of the room. The Board passed a motion to hold the Awards Luncheon at the Best Western in Madison. The luncheon will be planned for a date June 16-30th. A chicken dish and a possible vegetarian dish will be offered for the meal.

Pride of Madison

Beth Agee reported there is a sign missing for the scouts on Gillespie and a new one will be ordered.

Other Business

The Board discussed dates for work days at the Gateway. The beds need to be cleaned up and planting will need to take place after April 15. The Board decided April 9th, 9 a.m. for weeding of the beds (for members only). April 23, 8 a.m. will be a day of planting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25p.m.

Prepared by Karen Forsyth