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**ENFIELD BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**  
**Tuesday, December 13, 2022 7:00 pm**  
**Enfield Department of Public Works Building**  
**40 Moody Road, Enfield**

**ROLL CALL**

Present for the meeting were Darren Ketchale, Tanya Hughes, Carolynne Surdel, Jessica Kinelski, Marilyn Sorenson, and Joanne Lynch.

Also present: Lori Unghire – Enfield Town Council, Ken Boulette – Town Staff Liaison and Alexis Nai, Recording Secretary

Absent: Christine Sarles, Douglas Finger and Michala Schupp

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

September 13, 2022 – Ms. Surdel motioned to approve the minutes of September 13, 2022. Ms. Lynch seconded the motion. All were in favor. The minutes were approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- *Budget* – Mr. Boulette noted there is \$6,000 available in the budget.
- *Adopt a Spot* – Ms. Surdel noted there's not too much being done during the winter.

Councilwoman Unghire said the new president of rotary club noted they dug up the weeds and planned on doing something in the Spring. That location it is a combination of Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club. The club noted they are missing two signs and wondered if anyone knew what happened to them. They also wanted to know if the Town still collects the Christmas Trees and mulch them as a cheaper alternative for the adopt-a-spot location.

Mr. Boulette stated he will find out about mulch that would provide better ground coverage than the Christmas trees. They don't do anything with the signs other than

Mr. Boulette noted Troiano was able to some things on their two spots on freshwater and elm. They planted some mums on freshwater. Looking for feedback on what else they need to do to bring the spots up to par.

Ms. Surdel researched what other Town's do for Adopt-A-Spot contracts, they send out a maintenance bill if folks aren't taking care of their spots. Or a mini contract to ensure upkeep of the spot when signing up for one.

The committee discussed creating more spots if needed on town property.

- *Clean Sweep* – No updates yet. Generally late April.
- *Garden Club* – Ms. Surdel noted they are finished for the year. Next meeting is in March. In the meantime, they will use their green house to start plants for their flower sale in May. Their membership has grown, so hopefully they can get more people involved in maintaining their spots to use the funds from Beautification. The weed preventative did not work for the pollinator garden, so they used a tarp, and will get the seed going in the Spring.

#### **COMMITTEE OFFICER NOMINATIONS**

Ms. Surdel nominated Darren Ketchale as President of the Beautification Committee. Marilyn Sorenson seconded the nomination. All were in favor.

Vote: 5-0-0

Ms. Surdel nominated Tanya Hughes as Vice Chairman Jessica Kinelski seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Vote: 5-0-0

Joanne Lynch nominated Marylin Sorenson as Secretary. Carolyn Surdel seconded the nomination. All were in favor.

Vote: 5-0-0

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Next meeting the Committee will review the bylaws. They will ask Lois to send out in advance to review.

End of budget review – They will need to plan for remainder of budget – if the meadow garden works out well, they can do that again.

Mr. Ketchale noted a couple of other ideas in the past was lending libraries, benches, we will need some more trash bags for clean sweep, they will probably need about \$1,000 for clean sweep.

Ms. Surdel asked if the Welcome to Enfield signs need to be replaced.

Ken Boulette stated he can look at the condition, the one in Somers may need to be replaced.

Lori Unghire requested who to contact if they had ideas or if they wanted to do an adopt a spot.

Ken Boulette noted they can contact him directly.

#### **Adjournment**

Ms. Surdel motioned to adjourn at 7:28 PM, Ms. Sorenson seconded the motion, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned.

