

**CITY OF CRESTWOOD
Beautification Committee**

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday

February 2, 2016

5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

On roll call, at 5:31pm the following members were present:

Catherine Green- Chair
Denise Schaedler
Ellen Medearis
Joyce Menning
Kathryn Brandt
Thomas Krauska
Josie Green
Elaine Tripolitis
Mary Stadter

Guest: Bill Ruppert, America in Bloom
Steve Nieder

Staff: Brian Hibdon, Public Works Superintendent - excused
Jim Gillam, Director of Public Works
Trisha Hardesty, Parks & Recreation Secretary

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Krauska moved to approve the January 5, 2016 minutes and Mrs. Menning seconded with 8 approved and 0 opposed.

Public Comment

None.

Guest Speaker

Bill Ruppert, America in Bloom leader in Kirkwood Missouri, shared how the America in Bloom program works and what benefits it has for our community.

Board of Aldermen Report

Alderman Stadter reported that the discussion at the Board of Alderman meeting last Tuesday was approving already budgeted vehicles for the city, two police cars, a public works administrative vehicle, a one ton dump truck and front end loader. There were also several items planned for completion in 2015 which have been deferred to 2016, primarily because of delays in the project or weather. One of the vehicles that was to be purchased was a new vehicle for the fire chief, but since the fire chief is retiring, it was decided to postpone that purchase. When the fire chief retires, his vehicle will go to the code enforcement officer who is in need of a newer vehicle.

Staff Report

Mr. Gillam reported that the Spellman Park improvement project is almost complete. The Crestwood Park pavilion project should be finished this month.

New Business

Catherine Green is going to start looking into a grant, however that will be difficult until the 501c3 status is obtained.

Yard of the Month went well at the storage facility. It was decided to wait until April to award another Yard of the Month.

Denise Schaedler has drawings she will share at the next meeting for the City Hall plantings and the Watson Rd U-turn.

Catherine Green suggested designating smaller committees to discuss small projects.

Denise Schaedler has offered to talk with the Missouri Botanical Garden to see if there are any master gardeners that can assist the committee.

There was discussion of a Go Fund Me campaign.

Old Business

Josie Green reported that an attorney is needed to assist with the paperwork for a 501c3. Alderman Stadter shared that Alderman Mabie provided her with a link to a list of local attorneys that may be able to help.

Catherine Green recommended picking two or three projects to focus on this year. It was decided to discuss this more in detail at the next meeting.

Adjournment

A motion for adjournment was made by Kathryn Brandt and seconded by Mr. Krauska. A voice vote was taken with 8 in favor and none opposed. The next meeting is scheduled for March 1, 2016, at 5:30pm, at City Hall. Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.



TRISHA HARDESTY
Recreation Secretary