

Pittsfield Beautification Committee
Minutes
July 11, 2016

The Committee met at Town Hall.
Diana opened the meeting at 6:34 pm.

Members Present: Tina, Ted, Nancy, Carol, Gail, Diana, Ryan, Lucien, and Pat

Members Absent: Jason, Paula, Jane, Carole, Nick, Justin and Matt

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the June 2016 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Tina reviewed recent donations she received as well as expenditures.

Old Business:

Ted and Carole have been fertilizing the gardens.

Nancy will be moving the Town Hall collection box to Clarks

New Business

Ted will put slug repellent and Carol will put mole bait at the Crescent Street garden.

Because of the water pump priming issues, it was agreed that we would let Pat's husband install spigots on the barrels. Carol will bring the barrels to him during Ted and Nancy's watering week.

A request for hanging an Old Home Day banner on the rock wall at Washington House Lot was approved.

Carol asked if anyone had a copy of Nicole's Plot plan for Washington House Lot. Tina said she thought she did and would look for it. Carol wants to document all of the flowers at the 2 big gardens.

Carol said she would approach Frank about giving us a pruning lessons this fall.

Gail is concerned that having the barrels at Aranosian is too much and detracts from the garden. Carol said that she thinks they also provide a barrier to keep people from entering and perhaps next year we can just put a couple of them there. It was agreed that we would discuss in the first spring meeting.

Tina reviewed the mum sale. It was agreed that we would keep the same quantity and size of mums that we sold last year and that we would hold it on Saturday September 10th.

Carol said that because Paula had guests the week that she waters she would like to switch weeks with someone. Ted and Nancy volunteered. Carol will be in touch with Paula about it. Paula had also mentioned that she may have an edging solution to keep the mulch out of the pea stone for the perennial ring at Aranosian.

Diana said that people really had a positive response to her Facebook postings of Matt's kids working at the garden.

Next Meeting and Adjournment:

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday August 1st, at 6:30 pm and will be at the Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.