

## THORNTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Wednesday July 10, 2019

Attendees: Myra DeLeo, Gerald Gateman, Judy Gutry, Marianne Peabody, Carolyn Piantedosi, Julie Piehn

Absent: Gloria Kimball

Carolyn Piantedosi called the meeting to order at 5:59 pm.

The minutes from May 13, 2019 were reviewed and a motion was made by Julie Piehn to accept. Motion seconded by Marianne Peabody and passed.

Committee welcomed Judy Gutry as a new member.

### Old Business:

Garden Care: Carolyn Piantedosi, Julie Piehn and Marianne Peabody have been working on getting the gardens at Town Hall weeded and mulched. The next work day is scheduled for Monday July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Carolyn Piantedosi will be meeting with Lee Freeman on Thursday July 11 to get his advice and to ask him about removing and relocating the small spruce tree by the sign. Judy Gutry suggested speaking to JJ Silva about the possibility of providing mulch in the future. Julie Piehn will be asking Shelley Durrell about providing the Board of Selectmen an estimate for her gardening services for next year. Marianne Peabody made the suggestion that we meet with the Board as a committee to go over the gardening needs for the Town. The Committee members agreed.

Scrimshaw Plaque: Marianne Peabody will discuss our vision with the Town Administrator and ask her for a suggestion plus a print out from the website for the Committee to review before ordering.

Flagpoles: The Town now has a total of four. Marianne Peabody and Julie Piehn suggested planting either lilies or hostas at the bases and Julie reminded us to be aware of the lighting so the plants don't interfere. The Committee agreed that this project will need to be put off for the time being.

Transfer Station: After discussing various options for sprucing up the Transfer Station, the Committee agreed to Julie Piehn's suggestion about putting flowers in trash barrels and placing

them at both the entrance and exit. Committee members will bring up this suggestion to Steve Chiocca since he has indicated an interest in making the Transfer Station more visually appealing as well as offering to help out with the labor. Julie Piehn will speak with The Country Ladybug Nursery to see about getting flowers.

**New Business:**

Carolyn Piantedosi informed the Committee that she will no longer be able to serve as Chairperson. Julie Piehn agreed to assume the role for the September and November meetings.

Myra DeLeo will continue to serve as Secretary.

Next Committee meeting will be held on Monday September 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. The November meeting is scheduled for Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

Julie Piehn made a motion to adjourn at 7:04. Marianne Peabody seconded. Motion passed.