



BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
Town of East Hartford
Minutes
November 2, 2023

2023 NOV -6 AM 9:12

TOWN CLERK
EAST HARTFORD

EHCCC room111

PRESENT Patricia Sirois, Chair; Mary Mourey, Kathleen Cattanach, Kim Knapp, Delores Kehoe, Julie Robinson, Cindy Woodman and Tim Larson

CALL TO ORDER –
Chair Sirois called the meeting to order at 5:33p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Motion by Tim Larson; seconded by Mary Mourey to approve minutes of October 5, 2023.
All in favor. Motion carried- (7-0)

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO SPEAK – None

DIRECTORS REPORTS

Joe Cortes, Property Maintenance – no report

- **Gary McKeon-Associate Director of Parks & Grounds- report read by Chair**
- Dog Park at Foran Park
 - Completed
- Basketball courts throughout town will be repaved and painted – job has been awarded most likely to be done in the spring
- Futsal courts Martin and Gorman – still need to go out to bid.
- Town Council's North end clean-up program
 - Tolland St. at Manchester line – still awaiting Eversource clearing of trees/brush growing into power lines, a ticket has been submitted to Eversource. Repeated inquiries to Eversource have not been acted on, including personal contact with Eversource's Arborist.
- Pickleball Court and Terry Pool at Hockanum Park
 - A quote has been received for lighting the courts along with the basketball court. Lights should be installed over winter
- Tree City USA
 - 2023 Tree City – Application to be completed in December after leaf season is complete. We use leaf season data in the application which shows how many leaves we collect and compost/recycle.

- Long Hill Brick Wall
 - Quote is in and it needs to be a complete reconstruct due to the blocks that are currently there are no longer available. Still looking for a funding source to cover the costs of materials and labor.
- DePietro Park Pollinator Garden
 - Construction has been completed and the location is ready for planting in the spring.
- Leaf Season
 - Leaf pick up to begin 10/30 around Pitkin Street and progress clockwise through town until 12/9. The crews will continually pick up leaves until 12/9 or unless interrupted by a major snow event. Leaf bags will be picked up curbside on the same day as you rubbish pick up from 10/30-12/23. The transfer station will be open for leaves each working day from 10/30-12/9. Leaf season is underway.
- Holiday Festival
 - Alumni décor, installation to begin on 11/13 along with Main St lights and other locations throughout Town. Town Hall will not be decorated this year due to ongoing project.

The Holiday Festival - we will be ready to go and if anything other than the normal is needed from us please let me know. The signs are up throughout town.

CHAIR REPORT – no report

FINANCIAL REPORT –

Mary Mourey presented budget balance of \$7,698.50

OLD BUSINESS – Holiday Fest

Brochure is at printer. Martin promised them on or before Nov. 13th. Members need to pick them up at Parks and Rec. Martin will email me when they have been delivered. Amusement Permit will go before the Council on Nov. 21st. I have started some PR. More when I get back from vacation. I will get red paper for the songbook covers. Parks will print them. Mary will get small candy canes for tree lighting. I will get gifts for MC and Santa and Toy for contest winner. . WE will distribute the week of Nov 13th. To schools the week of the 20th. Thanksgiving week. Chair Sirois asked members to make an effort to attend events. At this point we do not have a Santa but Mayor Mike said he will find someone.

NEW BUSINESS - none

OTHER BUSINESS - Tim has a concern about the Long Hill Brick wall

He doesn't understand why street money is not used because it is also a street issue. He is on a mission because of the danger of this project and the time nothing is being done. He plans to pursue it with the Town Council.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

\$1208.00 to Service Press for printing of brochures.

\$75.00 to clerk for this meeting

Motion to pay bills made by Cindy Woodman and seconded by Tim Larson

All in favor. Motion Carried (7-0)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mary Mourey, seconded by Cindy Woodman to adjourn at 6:14 p.m.

All in favor. Motion carried (6-0)

The next regular meeting of the Beautification Commission is December 7, 2023. Location EHCCC room 111 at 5:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Sana Hart, Clerk
