

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

The Cape Girardeau Beautification Committee met at the Osage Centre on Tuesday, September 25, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

Present:

Lida Miller
Loretta Schneider

Staff Present:

Julia Thompson, Director of Parks & Recreation
Brock Davis, Parks Division Manager
Sharon Bergman, Administrative Secretary

Guest: Marla Mills, Old Town Cape Executive Director

Absent:

Pastor Shawn Watson
Ruth Dockins
Kurt Schilligo
Eric Redinger
Skipp Wrape
Doug Austin
Laura Ritter
Eric Redinger
Nancy Jernigan

A. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made for all those present.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Julia Thompson requested approval of the July 18, 2012 minutes. Lida Miller made a motion, seconded by Brock Davis to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Guest Marla Mills, Old Town Cape Executive Director

Distributed flyers and gave a presentation regarding Old Town Cape purpose to the downtown area. Gave information regarding the Façade Improvement Program, a partnership between Old Town Cape, Inc., the Industrial Development Authority of Cape Girardeau County, and the Cape Girardeau Area Community Development Corporation, providing financial assistance in the form of low interest loans to qualified property owners/tenants that want to make improvements to their building facades in the Old Town Cape Area. The purpose of the loan program is to provide an incentive toward upgrading and enhancing existing properties. The façade is defined as the exterior of a property in public view. Qualified property owners/tenant will have access to professional design assistance to help enhance their façade on a first come first serve basis.

2. Nomination/Election of Officers

Delay to a more appropriate time. Suggestions were made to get someone from the School District to sit in on committee.

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Updates from KAB

The big push with Keep America Beautiful right now is Recycling. Tim Grambling Public Works is looking at adding additional days for the hazardous waste station to be available. They are also working on a program to haul away solid waste to farmers for reuse. Additional days will be added this fall for leaf removal also.

2. Review ideas from last meeting

The committee agreed that they would like to focus on beautifying the city entrances with some type of landscaping and entrance. Would see what our Parks Dept. could do with some stone.

Officer Couch has indentify the person that has been doing a majority of the graffiti work around Cape. And has made some type of agreement with this person.

D. OTHER ITEMS

Suggestions: Lorretta Schneider would like for Keep Cape Beautiful to go to City Council and give reports and recommendations. To let people know what Keep Cape Beautiful is working on. Would like to see Public Works and Parks work on educating the public about GO Green, and recycling. Would also like to make a recommendation to offer some type of reward for anyone caught doing graffiti.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. Lida Miller made a motion to adjourn, Brock Davis seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Bergman
Administrative Secretary

