

## **Image and Beautification Board Meeting**

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

Meeting was opened at 7:03 p.m.

### **Members Present**

<b>Jennie Stewart</b>	<b>Leo Gordon</b>	<b>Caroline McDonald</b>	<b>Rodney Weeden</b>
<b>Andrew Fields</b>	<b>Lynn Gordon</b>	<b>Shelley Davis</b>	

Jennie welcomed the Board Members and Alderman Jim Christian to the meeting.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Adopt A Street Program**

Jennie announced that the program was up and running on the City's website. She asked the Board to mention the program to their neighbors. Jennie wasn't sure if anyone had signed up to participate in the program, but said that information could be found online.

Jennie said that a letter is needed to send to churches and businesses to get them involved in the Adopt-A-Street Program. Andrew volunteered to work on the letter. Jennie also requested ideas on how to motivate residents to participate in the program.

#### **Vietnam Memorial Stone & Howard Gallion Memorial Stone**

Jennie reported that the tree has been planted and the Howard Gallion Memorial Stone has been relocated adjacent to the tree and stone of SGT Vassallo at City Hall. Digging has also started for the memorial bench that was to be donated by SGT Vassallo's husband. Jennie was not sure if the Vietnam Memorial Stone has been relocated to Klein Park.

#### **Calendar of Events**

It was confirmed that the date for the Beautification Action Day (Litter Pick Up) in September is the 28. Lynn asked about the Christmas decoration judging date possibly being moved back to December 17. Jennie said she would look into it.

#### **Beautification Action Day – April 27, 2019**

Jeannie asked Board members to report on the organizations they contacted regarding volunteering at the Beautification Action Day. Caroline she was unsuccessful in her attempts to reach someone at the Matthews-Dickey Boys and Girls Club, but did talk to the Director of Communications at Riverview School District about participating. Flyers were circulated and we are expecting a count from Riverview Gardens. Leo contacted Curtis from the Masonic Order. He said he would take the request back to the Lodge in Jennings, but didn't think they would make the April cleanup. Jennie and Leo talked to LaTanja and she said she would get back with the number of volunteers participating. Jim volunteered to contact the Fire Department regarding participating in our cleanups. Shelley said she reached out to the Riverview Fire District. She said the Fire District has a cleanup scheduled in May. Shelley also reported that Alderman Alease Dailes posted the April 27 cleanup on "Next Door". Jennie asked everyone to let her know by Wednesday of next week, how many volunteers they will have at the cleanup.

Jennie noted that we picked up a lot of trash in March.

#### **Adopt-A-Stop**

Shelley reported that she talked to Maureen Williams from the Adopt-A-Stop program regarding some trash cans she would like to place at the adopted bus stops. Ms. Williams asked if Bellefontaine would empty the trash cans. Jennie will talk with Mark Dickerson.

### **New Business:**

#### **Document for New Resident Packet**

Jennie talked about having a flyer from the Image & Beautification Board included in the new resident packet that would promote beautification and keeping Bellefontaine Neighbors clean. The document would include some city ordinances. It was suggested that we use an old flyer as a starting point. Andrew volunteered to clean up and revise the old flyer. He

will add the City's logo along with the ordinances. Once the flyer is complete and approved by the City, copies will be given to board members who wish to pass out to their neighbors. Jim volunteered to make color copies for posting at City Hall, etc.

**City Trash Cans**

Jennie reported that the old City trash cans built by the Boy Scouts are in bad shape and in need of paint or stain. Jennie asked that someone from the Board look at the trash cans and determine what is best. The locations are: Chambers, St. Cyr and Bel Grove Park.

**Upcoming Events**

Jennie reminded the Board of some upcoming events.

May 4, 2019 – Flower Beds Clean Out

May 18, 2019 – Plant Flowers

Start time is 9:00 a.m. for both.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2019.