

MINUTES
GALT BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
Thursday, May 19, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Moore at 3:30 p.m. Members present: Moore, Hines, Johnson, Lopes. Absent: Trant. Staff member present: none.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MINUTES:

The Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 2011. Lopes approved and Johnson seconded

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairperson Moore shared a late dated “thank-you” letter from Rick Walters – Mr. Walters wanted to thank the committee for their work with the garage sale signs - the letter was read to the members. Moore shared an obituary notice for Winifred Ehrhardt a relative of one of Galt’s founders (grand niece of John McFarland) – Mrs. Ehrhardt’s daughter had emailed the article and notice to Moore. Mrs. Ehrhardt’s daughter has also ordered some roses to be planted at the post office in her families honor.

NEW BUSINESS: Moore discussed plans for the rose dedication ceremony scheduled for May 21st. There was a thank you for Laverne Avilla of Galt High and recognition for the student who had made the tags. Member Johnson will bring copper wore to attach the dedication tags to the roses. Member Lopes has offered to bring small water bottle for the occasion. Chairperson Moore inquired what the members thought have some cookies there as well. Moore provided a list with the history and names of the Plant a Rose program established in 2005 to the members.

Moore inquired of the members to consider new locations for planting roses for dedication. A few ideas were the City Hall, the Galt Library, and the area near the sports fields.

The planters at SMUD Park were discussed. New colorful flowering plants were placed and a watering schedule was discussed.

Moore shared some beaded pink bracelets that twice Nice is selling at their second hand store – the proceeds go to breast cancer. The same person who made the beaded bracelets made the darling painted sign for the rose garden at the post office.

The **Home-of-the-Month** project was discussed at length. Chairperson Moore informed the members that the areas will be presented in reverse this year – **Area 4** – June – Trant and Johnson/ **Area 3** – July – Lopes/**Area 2** – August – Hines/**Area 1** – September – Moore – the respective home choice must be presented the month before it is due to be presented. IE – Trant and Johnson need to present their choice for June at the May meeting – once the choice is decided on by the members the area members will precede with the presentation process as outlined – notifying the City, notifying the homeowners, presenting to the homeowners with photo and providing a photo to the Galt Herald.

Meadowview homes are pre-selected from a tour of the area from members Hines, Lopes, and Moore. A recommendation by Noni Garcia was accepted for the recent May selection. The home was identified as having made a significant improvement. The Meadow View Home-of-the-Month was presented and unanimously approved by the members.

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Moore shared an update regarding the Town Hall Meeting earlier this month. Members Moore, Lopes, and Trant attended. Moore shared that they distributed t-shirts and received quite a bit of interest in the committee activities. Moore stated we even had some people interested in volunteering.

OLD BUSINESS

Garage sale signs - Update Report – there is currently no formal method for notifying the homeowners of the infractions with using public property to post for garage sales. We can still bring in the signs and provide to Settles (Administrative Assistant to the City Clerk). But currently the City is unable to follow-up with the homeowners with an official notice.

Bed of Roses Project – Update Report – See above for dedication ceremony information

Adopt a Street Program – Update Report – no updates to discuss

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Vice Chair Lopes – nothing to report

Committee Member Johnson – nothing to report

Committee Member Hines – will not be able to June's meeting. Moore requested Hines review a home in her area #2 – 664 Canyon Creek – Hines said she would

Committee Member Trant – absent

Chairman Moore – Requested members review Sue Cory's list for the previous Home-of-the-Month homes which were previously nominated and start to notice homes in the members individual areas which they might want to consider for nomination in their respective months.

Mayor Payne has expressed an interest to attend our meeting. We can ask Liz to find out if she is available to come as a guest to our next meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. to reconvene at 3:30 p.m. on June 16th 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Hines
Galt Beautification Committee Member