

TRUMBULL BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
MINUTES - January 26, 2010

PRESENT: Ken Martin, Bob Marconi; Sharon Altieri; Liz Nugent

ABSENT: Patricia Pavia; Debi Miller;

The meeting of the Trumbull Beautification Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by K. Martin. Attendance was noted and a quorum was had.

READING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: The minutes of the December 2, 2009 meeting were discussed. S. Altieri motioned to accept the minutes from the December 2, 2009 meeting. B. Marconi seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The Financial Report was not available.

RAMP UPDATES: K. Martin indicated that on the bus tour of the town, it was noted that there are sites available in town. He is meeting with Deborah Cox this coming week as UnitedHealthcare is interested in the Route 25/111 commuter park location. Whoever does adopt this spot, will have to have a large planting, although it was noted that it can not be too large as to obstruct vision or too high up the fencing area.

K. Martin indicated that Mitt Bittner, a landscaper, is interested in either that spot or the one on Daniels Farm Road Exit Ramp off Route 8 or possible the Rout 25 South ramp off White Plains Road. Higgins Group is also interested in that spot as well. Plasko Farm is also interested in the Daniels Farm Road area. P.J.'s Garden Exchange will take the spot on the corner of Madison and Churchill Road. The owner is presently away until the end of January, but will execute the papers on her return.

D. Miller provided K. Martin with draft letters to be sent to the present sponsors of the ramps. These letters should be sent very soon as they refer to whether the sponsors wish to renew their areas. They were reviewed by the other members. It was indicated that they should be redrafted to not point out any negativity, but rather ask whether they want to continue, request the new \$50.00 fee to continue, and once that has been accomplished, then the sponsor could be "coached" as to how to improve their area.

K. Martin shared the information provided by D. Miller regarding past Daylily sales. Discussion continued as to whether we should have a daylily sale in the spring or not. Suggestions were made to not do the sale and give daylilies to our present ramp sponsors or to the town schools for their gardens, although they are not tended to in the summertime. It was also suggested that we take those funds which would be used for a sale or giveaway and have the Commission adopt an available ramp spot.

It was unanimously felt that we should continue with the daffodil give away in the fall.

BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS: B. Marconi will get information regarding a Beautification Award to be presented to a property on Lake Avenue regarding their renovations.

The rose plantings on the guardrail project were tabled for this meeting and will be discussed at next month's meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Members who need to be reappointed are reminded to do so. All members are urged to recruit new members.

L. Nugent motioned that the meeting be adjourned. S. Altieri seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Butler, Clerk