

City of Southport Beautification Committee Minutes

Date: April 15, 2019 Minutes taken by: Kate Singley

Location: Fire Department Substation

Quorum determined: Meeting called to order by Shirley Snyder at: 6 :05 pm

In Attendance: Shirley Snyder, Karen Mosteller-Alderman, Tom Lombardi, Nick Kern, Kate Singley, Marjorie Jones, Joy Mitchell

Absent: **Randy Jones Director of Tourism**

Guests: Lynne & Ken Geiman, Lynn Menches

Approval of March Minutes: approved

A. Old Business

1. Reports from Standing/Special Committees

a. Communications- Joy/Bonnie: announcements continue - St James newsletter

b. Native/Pollinator: Kate: New spigot installed for easy access to the garden-thanks to the city. Thank you sent to David Fox DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS and crew. Weeding needs to continue weekly. On the lookout for more native plants Native plant sale in May-Master gardeners 5/17 9-NOON Wildflower seeds planted- daily watering if no rain

c. Forestry: Karen: Arbor day 4/26 at 11 Keziah Park: live music, ice cream starting 10:30 Tree on Nash by Fire Sub-Station cut down. TREE WAS DISEASED. TREE IN FRONT OF SUBSTATION IS QUESTIONABLE, per Greg Connolly -arborist.

d. Financial: Bonnie: Balance: \$2,256.17

2. Activities

a. Watering agreement with fire dept.- Lynn Menches, Tish Hatem & Shirley Snyder met with Chief Drew- start the watering in May. Wish List- cart with tank /hose/pump for water -Who will help pay for tank? To be discussed further.

b. SPT Day of Service-Keziah Park -furniture painted. Gazebo roof needs repair-stain inside gazebo, Lord St. Oleanders-Lynn and crew cut way back. Shrubs surrounding pump station removed, --what will go there? Lattice? Plants? Randy suggested to Shirley possibly have an eye -standardize screening treatment- more to follow. Library-Joe -looks a lot better. Cypress-trim out? Shirley will check with Joe & county. Caviness Park - staining 75% of building done-basics of stage done-stage still needs to be done, waterfront- staining. Whittlers bench-some supports under table rotted out-reported. Roundabout-weeded, preen mulch down. Eileen was set up=sorted -645 pounds of trash-Leonard to Yaupon-every 40 hrs they do (Duke)-come up with a project get \$500.00 . Crew led by Rick Mitchell removed 30 posts leading up to Turtlewood. Jabbertown Rd.: trash collected headed up by -

Penelope North and Bob Reninger, SOAR had a list they wanted us to help with- Keith went over looked-group of men will help. John Smith -lifting stones-EJ from Doshier worked hard, Smithville -12 projects
100 volunteers GREAT JOB!

c. Spring Planting plan -Lynn Menches & Katie Boyd with city -Williams Nursery-order will be put in hopefully in time for May plantings on 5/4-some will be purchased locally thanks to Lynn

B. New Business

1. Clean Ups

a. May 4 clean up-planting, pruning FSP-azaleas & community building,-palms painting posts Visitors Center, painting at Caviness, Kingsley, fire station, Duke & roadway pick up

b. June 1 clean up -Triangle at 211-shrubs has a lot of vines-trucks making ruts

c. June 29 clean up -Smithville Burying Grounds in preparation for 7/4 celebration

2. July 4 Parade - float planning-we have a float -more to follow

3. Committee Membership -2019 -2020-keep in mind if term is ending

4. Possible new Project:

Rain Garden- Possibly bring in someone to talk about rain gardens -look into city of Oak Island may have worked with rain garden-

5. June 3 Shirley's -end of year picnic all volunteers/spouses more to follow Shirley will send out e-mail.

Upcoming Events:

Naturefest 4/27 8:30- 12:30

C. Adjourn: 7:15

Next meeting: May 20 @ 6 pm