



URBAN FOREST AND FLOWER COMMITTEE

Urban Forest & Flower Committee Meeting March 19, 2025

Call to order:

Mr. Woolfington @ 2:02 PM

Roll Call:

Board Members—Mike Woolfington, Cameron Arnold, Mike Hite, Bob Yoder, Jim Marquardt, Luke Felde, Jodie Overmyer, Debbie Palmer, and Steve Listenberger. (underline names not in attendance)

Approval of minutes:

Marquardt motioned to approve the minutes from February 19, 2025 meeting. Arnold seconded.
Motion Passed

Old Business #1—Fall 2024 Planting

One tree (a honey locust) remains to be planted on Adams St at Michigan Ave, southeast corner of intersection. On the to-do list of Felde & Overmyer. Could possibly serve as our Arbor Day tree, as suggested by Hite.

Old Business #2: The opportunity to have an intern for the committee for the summer is no longer under consideration. Hite explained the many negative obstacles that arose that culminated in declining the on-again, off-again offer. All agreed to drop the idea. Thanks go to Hite for his sustained efforts.

Old Business #3: Arnold presented the formal proposal by Davey Tree Services to do a sample one-day inventory product. Discussion followed. Cost was considered too high. The proposal was tabled. (Cameron has two copies of the proposal for review, if desired.)

New Business #1: Downtown flower pots (28)

Woolfington reported an estimated cost of \$400 (our 2024 price) based upon four red & four white wave petunias per pot. He is again ready & willing to do the planting himself. The goal is to have them up & blooming by Mothers' Day (this year 11 May, 2nd Sunday).

Arnold reported Autumn Trace Community has offered to sponsor a pot. He will talk further with them again to see if they might expand their sponsorship. Other sponsorships were discussed. The Chamber of Commerce was mentioned, as they had participated, leading this project during Connie's tenure there. As of now, we have had no contact there.

(Hite suggested that perhaps this project could be handled in the future under his umbrella, an effort of the Parks Board.)

New Business #2: Listenberger had a few questions about pruning & timing thereof. Recommendations flew freely. A lively discussion concluded with confirmation & agreement on proper approaches, techniques, and other aspects.

Adjournment:

Motion: Yoder

Second: Arnold

All were in favor @ 2:31 PM

NEXT MEETING: April 16, 2025 2:00 pm

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