

Commercial Beautification Minutes

March 9, 2020; 5:30-6:30, Square Deals

“Serving as a resource to businesses and the City of Versailles to cause a beautiful, welcoming, successful business district”

1. Members Leslie Mooney, Randy Francis, Becky Callaghan, Tony and Evan Coons, Charlie Stephens, Rose Blankenship and Jacquie Brewer were present
2. Jacquie reported that Sharon and Darlene have given an update on the Spring Decorating Contest. They have formed a committee and are going with a patriotic theme. They plan to partner with Residential Beautification in this effort.
3. Jacquie reported that she has been in contact with the Lions Club about partnering and placement of the apple sculpture. More discussion with the Lions Club and possibly other landowners will follow.
4. Nicole Whitfield sent an email update on the Bronze Plaque committee’s progress. (attach)
5. Sharon reported to Jacquie (to convey) that she has been in contact with the Bank of Versailles to discuss the murals in the upper windows of World Craft. This project will likely begin this summer.
6. Becky has researched the Imagination Library and has spoken with local key people to implement this. This program provides a free book each month to children from birth to 5 years old (60 books each). More information gathering is required at this point.
7. Becky stated that Kohls has a program for community involvement for their employees, similar to Walmart’s. Five employees working 3 hours= \$500 donated to the organization. This needs further research. Volunteer hours for youth was also discussed in regards to upcoming projects, ie: FD/BD.
8. Randy Francis accepted the role of Vice Chairman for our committee!! Thank you, Randy!!!
9. Amazon offers a rebate to non-profit organizations through SMILE. Jacquie will gather more information on this.
10. A photo of our courthouse lighted at night, is being sought. There was one taken several years ago that cannot be found. If anyone can locate one, please bring it to our next meeting.
11. It was suggested that a group of us plan a visit to Buffalo soon. Buffalo has won “Community of the Year” through MCB the past 2 years. Tanya Watson of the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce has offered a tour and Q & A for us.
12. The next meeting is planned for April 13, 5:30-6:30 PM at Square Deals. The meeting was adjourned.