

Residential Beautification/Quarterly Clean-Up Committee August Minutes

The Residential Beautification/Quarterly Clean-Up Committee met on August 27, 2017 with eight members present: Tony Coons, Lucille Schouten, Joann Mayor, John Ebeling, Courtney Carpio, Angee Whitaker, Barbara Salzman, and Carol Jones.

Chairman Tony Coons called the meeting to order. He advised the members that September 17-23 is Community Action Week. He will need volunteers to help with some of the projects that will be undertaken to help beautify the town for the Apple Festival. Service agreements may be needed for any house work to be done. He also feels that a mission statement is needed for the group. He recommended sending out an email asking for suggestions for the mission statement.

Joann Mayor moved and Barbara Salzman seconded to shorten the name of the group to Residential Beautification, without the addition of Quarterly Clean-Up. The motion carried.

During a discussion of what would be needed to qualify a person for help with a housing project, it was decided that only the homeowner could require the help, not a renter, and that it could only apply to residences within the city limits. Also, greater need would be considered such as, older, ill, handicapped, and/or having limited funds. Tony suggested during Community Action week the group offer to pick up brush, old appliances, etc., having a different day for each pick-up. It would need to be coordinated with David Avey. There was also a question as to what individual or group picks up old tires.

Volunteers will be needed to assist with these activities. Jacquie Brewer is having trouble finding groups to help. One group, World Changers, is already booked up until after 2018..

Tony mentioned the side of Shirley's Diner on Newton Street. Mike Kilkenny has offered to donate the labor to build a fence there. Presently Tony is having trouble getting hold of David Dunn.

Tony reported that Karen McCutcheon is working on a grant from Home Depot.

It was recommended that people make suggestions concerning possible fund-raising, such as a spaghetti dinner or pancake breakfast.

Tony would like to do block parties in different areas of town and sell hot dogs and hamburgers. He also suggested members with large yards sell parking spaces for the Apple Festival as a way to make money. Angee Whitaker was worried about liability if there were any minor fender-benders.

John Ebeling moved that members of this committee be at all Planning and Zoning meetings. Motion died for lack of a second. Tony offered to try to attend the next Planning and Zoning meeting.

John moved to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Jones