

Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission
December 5, 2018
Minutes

1. Call to order

- a. The meeting was called to order at 7:18pm

2. Roll Call:

- a. Present: Bill Balance, Kim Clexton, Brian Colter, Dan Convery, Pat Deck, Trevor Dinka, Lisa Kyle, Janet Peplin (Presiding), Lauri Read
- b. Excused: Matt Chunn, Dee Cimini, Armen Gulian, Shellie Hansen, Barbara Miller

3. Chairman's Comments:

- a. Janet resigning as Chair but will assist with transition to new leadership including providing 2019 calendar and revised timeline for GPPBC Awards, along with other suggestions.
- b. Janet asked for any comments or questions.

4. Approval of the November minutes

- a. Correction to make "Holiday Tiles" under Old Business now "Commemorative Tiles"
- b. Holiday Mart/Tree Lighting under Old Business corrected to read "MaryBeth Hathaway will take over the Holiday Mart for 2019. The tree lighting will still be held on November 17, 2018, but no Holiday Mart for 2018."
- c. Lauri Read moved to approve with corrections/ Dan Convery second/approved with revisions.

5. Correspondence

- a. None received

6. Publicity:

- a. There was an article in the GP News regarding Beautification Awards – Janet passed around the clipping.

7. New Business:

- a. BCSEM Quarterly Meeting 12-13-18 – Pat Deck announced
Commissioners attending: Pat, Trevor, Lisa, Brian, Barb, Bill
- b. Holiday Awards – Pat Deck reminded us this is our next project – each group does their own area and the addresses are due to Pat 12/31/18. Please be sure to submit the address and try to limit to 15 or less per area.

- c. Other – Lauri Read brought information she learned at a Tech Town luncheon about “Beautification next door” – all kinds of new business developments and their improvements occurring on East Jefferson in the nearest area of Detroit, including Norma G’s and 30 other new business potentials

8. Old Business:

- a. Review of Beautification Awards Program and Suggestions
 - i. Pat Deck commented on how nicely it went
 - ii. Dan Convery brought up cancellations and Janet Peplin commented we could have ordered half the food and it would have been adequate.
 - iii. Some suggestions/improvements:
 - 1. Need light on podium
 - 2. Need to coordinate distribution of tasks better with relation to program evening itself
 - 3. Need to review preparation task list again as well
- b. Slate of Officers for 2019
 - i. Trevor Dinka, Laura Orme, and Lisa Kyle nominated for Vice Chair – they discussed and proposed sharing the job in rotation.
 - ii. Shellie Duncan has indicated she is willing to remain Recording Secretary; Vice Chairs should be available to be back up Recording Secretary, if needed.
 - iii. Kim Clextan nominated to Chair (Dan Convery nominated but declined due to intention to move within next couple of months, whereupon he will resign from Commission, Dee Cimini also nominated but declined)
 - iv. Slate approved
- c. Forestry Report
 - i. Seventy-two trees planted this fall, including eighteen large pear. Brian will have a substantive report at January meeting.
- d. Other
 - i. Officer terms discussed – 7 Commissioners terms end this year – Bill Balance, Dee Cimini, Kim Clextan, Pat Deck, Shellie Hanson, Barbara Miller, Laura Orme
 - ii. Thank you to Janet for serving as Chair for 2018!

9. Adjournment

- a. Pat Deck moved to adjourn and Dee Cimini seconded – adjourned to Holiday Party at 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted by Kim Clextan, Commissioner

Next Meeting: January 9, 2019 at 7:30pm in the GPP Courtroom, City Hall