

Hiram Community Beautification Commission

Meeting Minutes

Rosser Municipal Building

11617 Garfield Road, Hiram OH 44234

April 20, 2018

Beautification Members Present:

Dan Brokos, Chair

Debra Blake, Hiram Township Trustee

Chris Szell, Hiram Village Representative

James McGee, Village Administrator

Official Recorder:

Wendelin Taylor, Assistant Fiscal Officer

Others Present:

General: Dan Brokos called the meeting to order at 8:30 am. The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of January 19, 2018. Chris Szell made a motion to accept the minutes. Debra Blake seconded.

Chris Szell reported the tree on Mr. Lewis' property has been felled. Mr. Lewis had no cooperation from Mr. Benner. Chris has asked the Village Solicitor for an interpretation of the Village's tree ordinance. Mr. Reitz has recommended the Beautification Commission proceed with caution and not commit the Village.

Debra Blake and Dan Brokos gave an informal report on the progress of the Hiram Township Park. Their report included an update on the proposed signage, trail, picnic table area and the maintenance of the beaver pond.

Guest and Public Comment:

Old Business:

A. Financials: \$3000.00 has been appropriated for 2018.

B. Signage: Village signs are on hold for the time being.

New Business:

A. Cemetery: James is planning to have hazardous trees removed as well as the topping of a tree along the drive that is presenting a danger. He has been given a quote of \$3050. He is requesting the Beautification Commission fund a portion of the project. After a short discussion Chris motioned the Commission approve \$1500 toward the project. Dan seconded. The motion passed.

B. Rosser Municipal Building Planting Beds: Ethan Glova, an Eagle Scout candidate from Crestwood Schools, had approached the Village regarding a project to rehab the Municipal Building planting beds. This conversation took place in the fall of 2017. Several attempts have been made by the office staff to contact Ethan to request a rough draft of the his plan or any information he could present to Council. Wendelin has spoken to Mrs. Glova and still has not heard from Ethan. The Commission agreed to give Nathan a deadline of

May 15th to submit something or the project will not go forward. Wendelin will call Ethan's parents as soon as possible.

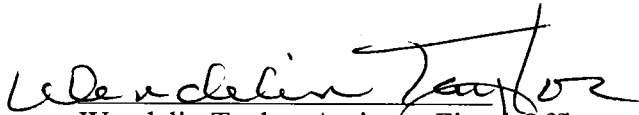
C. Hiram/Garrettsville Rotary Headwaters Trail Project: Debra Blake reported the Rotary Club has taken on an improvement project for the Hiram Township section of the Headwaters Trail beginning at the one mile marker (Township line) and continuing to State Route 700. The Rotary Club is interested in requesting funds from the Beautification Commission to build benches; install plantings and possibly install signage along the trail. It was suggested by Chris that Debra present a plan and formal request at a Commission meeting. Debra stated that she would do so, but the work needs to start as soon as weather would permit. The Commission agreed to hold a special meeting to review the request.

Chris motioned to schedule a special meeting May 24, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. Dan seconded. The motion passed.

The next regular meeting is set for July 13, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Approved:


Wendelin Taylor, Assistant Fiscal Officer


Dan Brokos, Chairperson