Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 25th, 6:30pm

Members Present: Kyle, Johna, Adrienne, Blake, Lauren

6:30pm: Kyle called the meeting to order. No public comment

Johna moved to approve the meeting minutes of 3/18/24, Adrienne seconded, the motion passed with Lauren abstaining.

Kyle gave her Chair updates: She met with Cal Stantan and one of his students from Laraway School at the Railroad Street Bridge to discuss making custom flower boxes for us. They seemed to think it was possible to do with pressure-treated wood and clasps. He thinks they can make 6-8 or them for about $300, but he was going to send Kyle a proposal and sketches. The committee talked about using the old boxes one more year if Cal isn't able get the boxes made in time. Talk about planting less precious flowers in the boxes to avoid theft, like nasturtiums might be a good idea.
Kyle told the group about a public sculpture ideas. An artist name Michael Stanely has a flower sculpture currently has on view at the Highland Center for the Arts that he'd like to relocate to Johnson. The Cold Spring, Village Green, and Ted Alexander Welcome Center are three possible spots. The group discussed their preferences but ultimately it comes down to the artist and the town or village to approve. She will keep the committee posted.

Set a date for Community Weeding Day: The committee discussed setting monthly dates for the community to help with weed public gardens and decided to tie it into our monthly meetings. The next date will be May 30th at 6pm.

Discussion around the idea of hosting a Community Plant Swap in May: Adrienne and Blake discussed it being a Starts and Seed Swap on the Village Green, Saturday, May 25th from 11-noon. Anything left would get donated to the BC or be free. Adrienne and Blake committed to making the signs and do most of the marketing. Kyle committed to making a Facebook event post with and RSVP and ask Erik Bailey for a facility use form. Kyle and Adrienne will secure tables.

7:30 Meeting Adjourned