

Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 30th, 2024

Members Present: Kyle, Adrienne, Johna, Blake

6:00pm, Kyle called the meeting to order.

Adrienne moved and Johna seconded to approve the meeting minutes of 4/25/24. Motion passed.

Kyle updated the committee that the flower boxes on the RR bridge are almost done. We hope to have them installed by the first week of June. Cal and the students at Laraway Youth and Family Services sent her a picture, and they look fantastic. They cost just about \$300 for eight of them, which is far less than what they would have had to pay if they had bought them. They need a year to cure before we can paint or stain them.

Kyle informed the committee that she reached out to both the trustees and the select board about potentially doing the sunflower project again this year. However, it is pretty clear that they have made no headway on establishing a policy regarding who maintains the right-of-ways. Until they do that, she feels they shouldn't consider this project. The committee agreed.

Kyle let the committee know that she still hopes to get Michael Stanely's flower sculpture to Johnson. His father recently passed away, so he is very consumed with that, but he still wants to go through with the project, perhaps in the fall. In the meantime, she is going to a select board meeting to help Upward Bound get approval to put an international wayfinding sign at the Ted Alexander Welcome Center.

Adrienne and Blake gave a debrief on the 1st Annual Plant Swap. They reported that it went really well. They hope it can be an annual event, along with a fall version, and maybe call it a harvest swap. It could be a great time for people to swap perennial divides and bulbs.

The committee decided to meet at the J.E.S memorial garden for their June meeting.

6:30 Meeting Adjourned

6:35 Community weeding work session at the Cold Spring