

**BROWN DEER BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE  
MAY 10, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Quirk at 6:30 p.m.

**I. Roll Call**

Present: Trustee Julie Quirk, Kelly Graham, Bev Lieven, Chris Loebach, Brian Eggers

Also Present: Erika Petras, Department of Public Works

Excused: Matthew Maederer, Director of Public Works, Jennifer Rochefort

**II. Persons Desiring to be Heard**

None.

**III. Consideration of Minutes: April 12, 2022 – Regular Meeting**

*It was moved by Mr. Graham and seconded by Ms. Lieven to approve the April 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously, with Mr. Eggers and Mr. Loebach abstaining.*

**IV. Review of Submitted Landscape Plans**

**A) Personal Warehouse, 8949 N. Deerbrook Trail**

Mr. Tom Mortenson, Site Planner/ Landscape Architect of raSmith appeared before the committee to review the landscape plans for Personal Warehouse, a condominium style warehouse facility being developed at 8949 N. Deerbrook Trail. Mr. Loebach inquired on Mr. Mortenson's methodology for species selection within the plan. Mr. Mortenson stated that robust, low maintenance, salt tolerant species were chosen to complement but not obstruct the site.

Trustee Quirk stated the importance of maintaining the landscape plan as presented and replacing plants and trees as needed.

*It was moved by Mr. Graham and seconded by Mr. Eggers to approve the landscape plans for Personal Warehouse, 8949 N. Deerbrook Trail, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.*

**V. Report of Staff/ Committee Members**

Ms. Petras reported on department of public work's activities including spring set up of park and pond buildings, grass mowing and planting of trees along 55<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Maederer continues to receive updates and work with the State Department of Transportation on the Brown Deer Road project.

Ms. Petras thanked the committee members who were available to attend yesterday's Arbor Day celebration in honor of Officer Zeise. The event was well attended and appreciated by Officer Zeise's family.

Trustee Quirk reported that the Village had received grant funding for sidewalk system completion.

Ms. Lieven reported problems with mowing of the hardwood savannah. Ms. Petras stated that Mr. Maederer was aware and had addressed it with staff. Discussion ensued regarding the savannah and an additional wildflower area. Ms. Petras stated that she would have Mr. Maederer reach out to Ms. Lieven for further discussion.

**VI. Unfinished Business****A) Brown Deer in Bloom Landscape Award Program**

Ms. Lieven distributed an awards summary that Ms. Petras will update and distribute before the June meeting. Ms. Petras will have the car magnets available for pick up by the end of the week. Mr. Graham inquired on the condition of the award signs; Ms. Petras will work with department of public works personnel to get them touched up by the June meeting.

Trustee Quirk suggested that signs be distributed by the entire committee in order to make it more impactful for the award winners. Mr. Graham recommended that the committee focus on properties that had not been previously awarded.

A discussion ensued regarding the recognition celebration; further discussion will take place at the June meeting.

**B) Committee Projects**

Mr. Loebach reported on three funding sources and possible projects for consideration including invasive species removal, stormwater plantings and pollinator plantings i.e., a learning garden.

A discussion ensued regarding possible locations and scope of projects.

Ms. Petras stated that Mr. Maederer will send a link to a project spreadsheet. Further discussion will take place at future meetings.

**VII. New Business**

None.

**VIII. Adjournment**

*It was moved by Mr. Graham to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously at 7:34 p.m.*

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Erika S. Petras  
Department of Public Works