

**BROWN DEER BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
APRIL 12, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Quirk at 6:31 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Present: Trustee Julie Quirk, Kelly Graham, Bev Lieven, Jennifer Rochefort
Also Present: Erika Petras, Department of Public Works
Excused: Chris Loebach, Matthew Maederer, Director of Public Works
Absent: Brian Eggers

II. Persons Desiring to be Heard

None.

III. Consideration of Minutes: March 15, 2022 – Regular Meeting

It was moved by Ms. Rochefort and seconded by Ms. Lieven to approve the April 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. Review of Submitted Landscape Plans

None.

V. Report of Staff/ Committee Members

Ms. Petras reported on department of public work's activities including wrapping up winter operations, election assistance and spring set up and preparations. Mr. Maederer continues to receive updates and work with the State Department of Transportation on the Brown Deer Road project and is working with the police department to identify and properly sign areas of traffic concern.

Trustee Quirk reported that she was contacted by a resident regarding the "No Mow May" program started in Appleton, WI in which grass ordinances are suspended for the month of May to encourage residents to let their lawns go without mowing to provide food supply (clover and dandelion) for pollinators. A discussion ensued with the committee deciding to do additional research and follow up with communities (Glendale, Shorewood) that have implemented the program. The topic will be revisited at the September meeting for possible implementation in 2023.

Trustee Quirk invited committee members to participate in the two Village Clean-up events being held on April 23, 2022. Because We Care is hosting a trash clean-up day at 9A.M., meet in the Pick 'n Save parking lot. Milwaukee River Keepers Earth Day: It Takes a Village Clean Up hosted by the Special Events committee will meet behind the Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center also at 9A.M.

VI. Unfinished Business

A) Arbor Day 2022

This year's Arbor Day celebration will take place on Monday May 9, 2022 at 2P.M. at Village Hall. An accolade cherry tree will be planted in memory of retired Police Officer Jill Zeise. A discussion ensued regarding refreshments with various suggestions being made. Committee members are encouraged to attend.

B) Brown Deer in Bloom Landscape Award Program

Judging will begin in June for this year's award program. Trustee Quirk suggested the committee give thought to the end of year celebration, as we will host three years of award winners. Further discussion will take place at the May meeting.

C) Committee Projects

Mr. Maederer will create a spreadsheet for committee members to suggest future projects along with funding possibilities.

VII. New Business

A) Resolution No. 22-, (Resolution Proclaiming May 9,2022 as Arbor Day)

It was moved by Ms. Lieven and seconded by Mr. Graham to recommend the Village Board approve Resolution No. 22-, "A Resolution Proclaiming May 9, 2022 as Arbor Day". The motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Graham to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously at 6:52 p.m.

Erika S. Petras
Department of Public Works