

**Beautification Commission
Minutes
Monday, May 14, 2018
5:00-6:30 pm
Novi Civic Center**

Call to Order: 5:05 pm

Roll Call: Colleen Crossey, Cindy Haley, Cindy Lang, Ratna Rao, Jennifer Ryan, Celia Todd, Carolyn Upton, Laura Williams, Lindsay Wyskowski

Excused: Celia Todd, Carolyn Upton

Absent: Laura Williams

Approval of Minutes: Moved Lindsay, Seconded Jen

Approval of Agenda: Moved Lindsay, Seconded Jen

Announcements:

- Spring Palooza Friday, May 18 at Civic Center Campus
- Commission members to arrive at 5:00 pm

Old Business:

Current Projects: The following projects were discussed.

1. Project presentation to City Council was made by Wendy on April 23
2. City of Novi Gateway Adopt-a-Sign Project
 - Lindsay will draft an application
 - Criteria to be developed for possible adoption by businesses, organizations or individuals
 - Program plan to be reviewed by City Council for approval
 - 21 total signs (some may not be suitable for adoption based on location)
3. Spring Palooza
 - Cindy L. has arranged Tollgate literature, Oak Wilt information, seeds to distribute
 - Two representatives will be available to distribute and explain Oak Wilt material
 - Laura to provide National Wildlife Federation information and display
 - Giveaway items will be awarded in connection with designated volunteer number
 - Jen will bring a sign promoting sign-up for volunteers
 - Ratna will bring clipboards with volunteer sign-up sheets
4. National Wildlife Federation Certification
 - Laura Williams to lead project
 - Laura has provided application
 - Wendy will submit application for certification process
 - Token recognition gifts may be used to promote yard certification
5. Neighborhood entrance holiday decorating contests
 - Lindsay will draft project plan
 - Autumn display theme
6. Fuerst Park Monarch Waystation maintenance

- Wendy will contact Rick Meader to determine possible June dates

New Business:

Library kiosk available for Beautification Commission display

- Cindy Lang will follow up

Open Discussion:

Novi 50th Anniversary

- City is considering reception for early 2019
- Commission may consider a 50th Anniversary-themed neighborhood entryway contest
- One project possibility would be a Lakeshore Park clean-up

Events:

May 18, 6-9 pm, Spring Palooza and Perennial Exchange, Civic Center Campus

June 2, 9-11 am, Cemetery Day, Novi Road Cemetery

Meetings:

June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, **November 19**, December 10

Adjournment: 5:55 pm Moved Lindsay, Seconded Jen