

**Beautification Commission  
Minutes  
Monday, July 29, 2019  
5:00-6:30 pm  
Novi Civic Center**

**Call to Order:** 5:05 pm

**Roll Call:** Colleen Crossey, Cindy Haley, Cindy Lang, Christen Pietraz, Jennifer Ryan, Isaly Szetela, Celia Todd, Laura Williams, Lindsay Wyskowski

**Excused:** Colleen Crossey, Celia Todd, Lindsay Wyskowski

**Absent:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Moved Jen, Seconded Isaly

**Approval of Agenda:** Moved Jen, Seconded Isaly

**Old Business:**

**Current Projects:** The following projects were discussed:

1. National Wildlife Federation Certification (Laura & Colleen)
  - Lindsay to create press release for web blast
  - Laura to write up rationale for use of columbine logo, including associated legends, and send to Wendy who will edit
  - Laura to donate 5 project-related photos to NWF to satisfy Administration Goal
  - Laura will check with NWF for names of schools and number of homes already certified
2. 2019 Entryway Grants (Celia)
  - City has received several calls from potential 2020 applicants
3. Website Information
4. Gateway and Park Entrance Sign Adoption (Cindy L, Lindsay and Isaly)
  - Isaly proposed creating 3-ring binder with pictures of various sign locations
  - Requirements will include list of prohibited and recommended plants
  - Wendy distributed updated map with park entrances included
  - Members will take 2 photos of each sign (close-up and surrounding area) and email them to Isaly and Wendy
  - Adoptions will have two-year terms
5. Beautification Commission of SE Michigan Luncheon (Wendy, Celia & Cindy H.)
  - 64 people attended the luncheon
  - Money remaining from registration after expenses was \$400
  - BCBSM sent a thank you letter to the Novi Beautification Commission for hosting
6. Keep Michigan Beautiful Award 2019 (Celia)
  - Celia working on application for park project
7. Home/Neighborhood decorating and landscaping recognition (Jen, Lindsay, Cindy H.)
  - Jen will do a write-up to encourage homeowners to send pictures to be posted online
8. Fuerst Park Monarch Waystation maintenance & Rain Garden at Rotary Park
  - Cindy L will contact Rick Meader for next possible dates for weeding

**New Business:**

**Grants:**

Waste Management

- Signage for Monarch Garden
- NWF Certification

**Events:**

**Meetings:**

August 12, September 9, October 14, November 18, December 9

2020: January 13, February 10, March 9, April 13, May 11, June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14, October 12, November 9, December 14

**Adjournment:** 6:20 pm Moved Jen, Seconded Laura