

**Beautification Commission**  
**Minutes**  
**Monday, February 8, 2021**  
**5:30 pm**  
**Zoom**

**Call to Order:** 5:35 pm

**Roll Call:** Colleen Crossey, Cindy Haley, Cindy Lang, Courtney Opalko, Christen Pietraz, Isaly Szetela, Celia Todd, Laura Williams

**Excused:** Isaly Szetela

**Absent:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Moved Laura, Seconded Christen

**Approval of Agenda:** Moved Laura, Seconded Christen

**Old Business:**

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

1. National Wildlife Federation Certification (Laura)
  - The sign for the Civic Center is on hold due to COVID
2. Keep Michigan Beautiful Award (Celia)
3. Park Entrance Sign Adoption (Cindy L, Isaly)
  - The application materials were approved as submitted
  - Applicants will be provided with a list of suggested native plants
  - There was a consensus to purchase recognition signs from the same vendor the Parks and Recreation Department uses for commemorative signs at a cost of \$150 apiece
4. Home/Neighborhood decorating and landscaping recognition
  - Commission will use the city holiday recognition program platform for spring landscaping
  - Plans will be discussed at the March meeting
5. Entryway Grants
  - A number of applications have been received
  - Simone obtained a quote for new award-winner signs at a cost of \$24 for one-sided or \$26 for two-sided
  - Cindy H moved and Colleen seconded that the commission purchase up to five double-sided signs
  - The motion was approved unanimously
  - Commission will decide upon recommendations for grant recipients at the March meeting

**Grants:**

Waste Management

- Cindy and Christen will meet to discuss bids for making signs to label the plants

**New Business:**

- Novi Parks Bus tour was tabled
- Information about Oakland County's Adopt-a-Road Program and a map of adopted and available roads can be found at [www.rcoc.org/218/Adopt-a-Road](http://www.rcoc.org/218/Adopt-a-Road)
- Material has been prepared for school presentations, but is on hold due to COVID
- The Commission plans to participate in Tollgate Farm events whenever possible
- The sculptures previously loaned to Farmington will be placed at Beacon Hill, a development near 12 Mile and Meadowbrook
- Colleen Crossey and Cindy Haley told the group that they had decided not to apply for an additional term on the commission
- Members thanked them for their service and wished them well in their future endeavors
- New commission members may be approved by the City Council in time to attend the March meeting

**Meetings:**

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

**Adjournment:** 6:11 pm: Moved Colleen, Seconded Cindy H