

ELK RAPIDS BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES – Amended May 20, 2019
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2019
GOVERNMENTAL CENTER

- I. CALL TO ORDER 9:00 am Sonja Perry
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL: Sonja Perry, Janine Micunek, Lori Caruso, Sandy Ehlers
Excused: Susan Green
- IV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST – None
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: NOVEMBER 21, 2018
Motion to approve by: Ehlers Second by: Micunek
Motion carried
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS:
Inez Gotts – question of donation of Iva’s North Garden: \$3,545 balance, Bill Cooper, Village Manager, cleared up the budget line for this garden. The \$3,545 is the accurate amount for this garden’s budget.
Inez – spoke of conflict of interest, needs to be a person on ERBC and Garden Club. Item will be handled at next ERBU meeting.
- VII. FINANCIAL REPORT:
-Updating garden brochure. Sandy Ehlers will look over photos for updating. Brochures will be re-ordered after photos have been updated.
- VIII. APPROVAL OF BILLS:
Bill received from Robyn Shank, Garden Club for supplies \$558.76
Motion to approve by: Ehlers
Second by: Micunek
Motion carried
- IX. GARDEN REPORT:
- **Robyn Shank** –Request for assistance for adjustments with a boulder in the Yuchasz Garden, grant has received from TC. Robyn submitted expenses for supplies which were approved
-Marcus Evans interim head of DPW, DPW, spoke of assistance with DPW and ERBC. Talked of mulch order. Use email for communication.
-Parking lot garden needs annuals
-Upper kids pond, 2 shrubs need to be replaced
-Preen Ehlers would like to have ERBC use the Preen that is more environmentally safer.
-A design from Blackmore was presented for the Terrace Garden. Designs from other companies have not been received. They are due by May 15.
- Looking for DDA grant to help with the cost of the improvement of this Terrace Garden. Steve Thomas will help with this process.
-The repair to the sidewalk adjacent to the Terrace Garden was discussed. M. Evans and B. Coopers, said it was best to do the work after the Terrace Garden was completed.
- X. OLD BUSINESS:
Margaret’s Letter – resignation, Pat Stites spoke of gift to be presented to M. LeBlond. Green volunteered to select and purchase the gift. Status of gift is unknown.
- XI. REPORT FROM COUNCIL
None
- XII. REPORT FROM DPW
Post and chains – M. Evans will look into the program. Tabled for next meeting.

Planter Boxes – DDA – have been purchased – will look into proper way to fasten onto bridge and get irrigation. Cost with be about \$3000.

Pat Stites reported that there is a fundraising effort for the planter boxes and irrigation project. Mark Blackmore said he would like to donate as well. P. Stites also stated that she has ordered flowers for the bridge flower box project, red/white/blue cascading petunias.

- XIII. NEW BUSINESS - none
- XIV. CORRESPONDENCE - none
- XV. ADJOURNMENT 10:10 am
Motion to approve by: Ehlers. Second by: Micunek
Motion carried

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 15, 2019
TIME CHANGE 8 AM