

Beautification Commission September 1st, 2022; 6:00PM

- 1. Call to order
 - a. Call to order: 6:17
- 2. Roll call: Rumana Rahman, Sean Cote, Peter Buhr, Alathea Reese, Julie Sailuse, Glafira Gordon
 - a. Rumana Rahman, Sean Cote, Peter Buhr, Julie Sailus, Glafira Gordon in attendance; Alathea Reese absent
 - b. Max Gilganis Hamtramck community involvement coordinator
 - c. Dichondra Johnson from Hamtramck Parks Conservancy
 - d. Lynn Blasey from Arts and Culture Commission
 - e. Dwydell Garrett from Arts and Culture Commission
- 3. Public Comment (three minutes limited to Beautification Commission issues)
 - a. Opened at 6:10pm
 - b. Elise is a citizen that cares about the littering/garbage problem.
 - c. Max has been assigned an official Trash Research project
 - i. They will send us data/results in a couple months once complete.
 - ii. Rumana suggests Max connect with Jennifer Donnely and her students for trash research.
- Approval of Minutes from July 7th meeting Peter Motioned Rumana Seconded

All in favor; none opposed

SECTION I: AGENDA ITEMS – For Discussion/Action/Information

- 1. Update on Veterans Park Subcommittee survey
 - Peter started creating a map for a pdf/printed plan to bring to the Parks Conservancy Meeting this month. Julie plans to attend as well.
 - The group agrees to make a pdf rather than a powerpoint.
 - Hamtramck Parks Conservancy meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month from 2pm-3pm, at City Hall

- 2. Update on Dog Park Subcommittee survey
 - Taking a poll, with options for local people to weigh in their opinions
 - Maybe install a dog park at Henrietta House instead, if Veterans Park doesn't work out.
- 3. Pope Park Bulb Planting (Oct 7th)
 - Rumana explained that GM donated bulbs
 - Lynn will water plants in with the water wagon
 - Event details are on Facebook
 - Max and Rumana made the observation that nicer looking planter boxes seem to accrue less garbage around them
- 4. Trash and Recycling Julie's Guest
 - Julie made a motion to table this until next month's meeting
 - o Peter seconded
- 5. Scoping Commission Projects Prioritization
 - Rumana explained that the previous priorities may shift a little as winter is approaching.
 - Some balls are already rolling, like the dog park and Veterans Park gardens. But this may be a good time to do cool-weather activities like: connect with organizations, lead-related studies
 - She recommends thinking about ideas, and we can re-evaluate our priorities at the next meeting.

SECTION II: OTHER ITEMS

- 1. General Reports
 - a. Alathea mentioned festive holiday lights on Joseph Campau
 - i. Pope Park was recommended for a festive light setup.
 - ii. DDA may know the rules
 - iii. Add this to agenda next month
 - b. Current process to access meetings is flawed
 - i. Locked doors are against Open Meetings Act
 - ii. Current location is inaccessible to public
 - iii. Add this to agenda next month
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ADJOURNMENT

Rumana motioned to adjourn Peter seconded All in favor; none opposed

Adjourned at: 7:07pm

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