



Terry Briggs, Mayor
Brendan Kane, Director

*City of Bridgeton
Parks & Recreation
Department*

**Beautification Commission Meeting
March 06, 2022 Reporting**

OPEN:

Connie Vogler (Chairperson) opened the meeting promptly at 6:00PM

Members in attendance: Connie Vogler (Chairperson), Jayne Schmitt, Becky Kincaid, Mary Mierkowski, Joan Schlechta, and Angela Wright (Secretary)

Members absent: Randy Hein (Ex. Officio), Judi Timmons, Helen Jenkins, Barbara Williams, and Carrie Linenbroker

Ex-Officio Report:

Randy Hein was unable to attend. He advised that nothing much has changed since his last reporting. Additional city business details are available via the Bridgeton Mayor's Newsletter and the city's website located @ www.bridgetonmo.com.

New Business:

- The meeting began with Connie Vogler announcing Angela Wright will be retiring on July 4th. Angela is pretty confident that the next secretary will be even better!

Old Business:

- **Spring Plant Giveaway Sat., April 23, 2022:** We ordered (250) Lavender 'Munstead' and (250) 'Achillea – New Vintage Rose' in quart pots for the spring 2022 plant giveaway.
 - Angela will check the progress with Jost next week and report back.
 - We will be collecting food again for the food bank. Jordan from the food bank advised they would be dropping the bins off the day before and retrieving them the next Monday.
 - Connie asked if Ricky (Sr. Van Driver) could assist this time. Angela will check. Becky said Dale would assist.

NOTE: We will bag the plants for both spring and fall giveaways.

- **Fall Plant Giveaway:** Our fall plant giveaway is scheduled for Sat. Sept. 23, 2022. We ordered (200) hydrangea – 'Little Quick Fire.' We will also have a food collection for this giveaway also.

○ **Dolphins for Outdoor Pool Garden:**

- Angela reported that the dolphins were on backordered two months. Angela asked if commission members would like to wait or cancel and try another company. There was a discussion around the fact that there were hardly any companies with topiary available. Attending members agreed to wait the two months. By the time our payment arrived they were out of stock.
- Connie advised since the dolphins are backordered we could wait until later to talk about the lights. However she did find faux boxwood panels that could be shoved under the wire frames to fill out the dolphins and protect the inner moss. These sheets were approx. 20" x 20." The sheets were also interlocking which would help. We would then place the lights on the outside. Connie is investigating a little more to check and see how many of these sheets we will need and will also shop around. She is hoping this will help the dolphins to last a couple years.
- Connie recapped our plans for the garden. We all agreed to tarp the area and mulch since mint was invading the entire area. Craig Dew, Parks Superintendent will investigate and get back with us.

○ **Veteran's Memorial Bench Area:**

- Mary M. would like to plant red & white petunias in the blue planters at the Veteran's memorial area. She asked Connie to pick the plants up when she purchases flowers for Dolphin cove. Mary asked for 3 white and 3 red petunia plants for each planter. It would be nice to have variegated.
- Mary also asked if we could store the faux boxwood bushes for the summer. Angela will check with Park Operations.

○ **Dolphin Cove:**

Connie asked what colors we wanted to plant in Dolphin Cove this summer. Attending members discussed colors and came up with blue, purple and yellow.

After all agenda bullets were covered, there was an agreement to adjourn the meeting at approx. 6:30PM

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
NEXT OFFICIAL BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION GATHERING
WILL BE THE SAT., APRIL 23, 2022 - PLANT GIVEAWAY IN LIEU OF THE
APRIL COMMISSION MEETING
PLEASE PLAN TO ARRIVE AT THE OUTDOOR POOL
NO LATER THAN 8:00 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Wright – Secretary