



**Horticulture, Ecology and Beautification Committee
Committee Meeting Agenda
July 8, 2020
4:30 PM
Online Meeting**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
 - 1. Approval of June 10, 2020 Horticulture, Ecology and Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes**
- 4. Unfinished Business**
 - A. Median Design-Olive Blvd.***
 - B. Honeysuckle Recog Letter***
- 5. New Business**
 - A. Millennium Park Basin***
- 6. Comments from the Public**

(Citizens are asked to limit comments to three minutes and to complete a speaker card)
- 7. Business from Members**
- 8. Business from Staff Liaison**
- 9. Adjourn**
 - A. Zoom Meeting***

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84041228247>



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Committee Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2020
4:30 PM
Phone Conference

1. Meeting held through Google Meet

A. Phone: 1-615-965-4112

B. Pin# 119 656 997 #

2. Call to Order

3. Roll Call

Fran Cantor	Committee Member	
Rachel Eilbott	Committee Member	(Absent)
Nancy Meyer	Committee Member	
James Graham	Chair	
Claire Chosid	Vice Chair	
Teresa Bell	Committee Member	(Absent)
Paulette Pierson	Committee Member	
Mara Berry	Committee Member	(Absent)
James Berry	Committee Member	(Absent)
1132	Council Liaison	
Janet Rueschhoff	Human Resources Generalist	

4. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of May 13, 2020 Horticulture, Ecology and Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes

Each voter participated by using teleconferencing using Google Meet

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Fran Cantor, Committee Member
SECONDER:	Claire Chosid, Vice Chair
AYES:	Cantor, Meyer, Graham, Chosid, Pierson, Rueschhoff
ABSENT:	Eilbott, Bell, Berry, Berry

5. Unfinished Business

Jim Graham mentioned a new member would like to join the HEB Committee. Janet instructed they would need to go online to complete an application for consideration. Jim indicated he will instruct them to do so.

A. Beautification Contest Updates

Jim Graham mentioned the disappointment of the three contestants in the Beautification Contest. Although it was disappointing we had to cancel the contest, it was touching to see how passionate the entries were about their efforts.

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B. Nine Bark Give-A-Way Thanks

Jim Graham recognize the Berry's for representing the HEB at the Farmer's Market on a couple of occasions and distributing the Nine Bark seedlings that were purchased for the cancelled Arbor Day event. All present expressed their gratitude as well.

C. Invasive Plant Removal Situation

Jim Graham continued the discussion on the recognition of residents and/or businesses in the City of Creve Coeur, who make progress with eradicating the invasive Honeysuckle on their property.

Fran Cantor volunteered to draft a recognition letter from the HEB Committee. Fran will send letter to the committee for review. When a home or business owner within the City demonstrates the effort to eliminate this invasive plant, this form letter would mailed acknowledging their efforts.

Claire Chosid mentioned the City may want to remind residents of the process for when a Site Improvement permit is needing for Land Disturbance. Janet will check with Jim Heines or Matt Wohlberg regarding this issue.

6. New Business

A. Status of Median Improvement

Jim Graham mentioned to the Committee that Public Works has begun replacing plantings in some of the medians down N. New Ballas Road in accordance with the Public Works plan design approved by the HEB Committee at August 14, 2019 meeting.

The Committee expressed appreciation for the ability to see a city project being started and carried through.

B. Monarch Banners

Jim Graham asked why the banners along Olive Blvd. had not been put out.

Janet explained that since Mid March, the Public Works Department was no longer utilizing temporary staff to assist with leaf and limp responsibilities. In addition, the remaining crews have split into two teams and were working four 10 hour days. All of this was in an attempt to manage personnel during the COVID-19 Pandemic. The city prioritized it's essential services to maintain "business as usual" for it's residents. Janet stated she guessed that during this time, hanging the banners was a lower priority for the city and was put on hold temporarily.

Janet will follow-up with our vendor regarding new banners for the Monarch Butterfly and start moving this project forward for the HEB now that businesses are opening.

7. Comments from the Public

No public recognized themselves on the call to make comments.

8. Business from Members

The Committee recognized Sue Baseley for all her hard work and shared their appreciation for all she has done for the Committee and the City. All wished her the best of luck and stated she will be missed.

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Sue acknowledged and thanked the committee for all their work and efforts throughout the City of Creve Coeur. Sue expressed her gratitude for how hard working and how well ran the HEB Committee is. She also expressed her surprise and thanks for the gift given to her by the Committee.

The Committee asked Sue when her last Council Meeting will be. Sue indicated on June 22, 2020 the new Council members will be sworn in and those being replace will step down. Our new Council liaison should be appointed and present for the meeting in July.

9. Business from Staff Liaison

A. Volunteers Needed

Janet Rueschhoff asked the committee to mention to friends and neighbors in Creve Coeur the need for volunteers for our committees and boards. Anyone can apply through the city's website.

B. Millennium Park Volunteer Waiver

Janet reminded the Committee (especially Claire Chosid) that the city has a "Release and Waiver" for anyone volunteering to work in the parks with her group. Claire acknowledged she received the form electronically from the City Administrator, Mark Perkins.

C. Zoom Meeting Capabilities

The Committee members were asked if they had the capabilities to participate in a Zoom meeting for next month, July 8, 2020. Mary Deweese requested to be put on the agenda for the purposes of continuing the discussion on the Olive Blvd. median improvements. All committee members present indicated they have the capabilities.

Janet will send out the Zoom meeting request as time gets closer.

10. Adjourn

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SECONDER:	Fran Cantor, Committee Member
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