

Town of Farragut – Arts and Beautification Committee

October 19, 2020

Members Present: T. C. Williams, Beverley Hammond, Marty Rodgers, Marianne McGill and Mayor Ron Williams. Absent: Diane Duncan and student rep Anna Beth Lee.

Town of Farragut Staff: Arleen Higginbotham, Sue Stuhl and Brittany Spencer,

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman T.C. Williams at 4:06 PM. Ron Williams moved the minutes be approved as distributed. Marty Rodgers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Freaky Friday: The Drive Through Boo will be held in the parking lot of the Community Center on Friday, October 30 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM. Two hundred cars have preregistered to drive through the parking lot of the Community Center and Town Businesses and Town Committees will put candy in the car trunk or into a bag hung from the side mirror. All two hundred reservations were filled in six hours and there is a waiting list. Workers will park at the Farragut Presbyterian Church parking lot which can be accessed from the Village Green Parkway.

Light the Park: Instead of Light the Park there will be a Light the Parkway with lights on trees from Founders Park to the Campbell Station Inn. There will be a Ribbon Cutting with only a few people in attendance. People will be able to walk from Founder's Park to the Campbell Station Inn among the lighted trees. There will be activities in Founders Park but only as a Grab and Go. The Arts and Beautification Committee will hand out a pre-packaged craft at the Gazebo in Founder's Park on December 1 from 6:00 – 7:00 PM. Committee members will hand out a cookie decorating kit on December 15 at the same time. Committee members are to report to the Gazebo at 5:45 PM to help with the event on both days. Brittany has obtained permission to enlarge a children's holiday book and put the text on signs in Founder's Park so children and others can walk in the park and read the story.

Celebrate the Season: Plans are underway to have photos with Santa for the children but these plans may change depending on the status of the COVID-19 pandemic. If it is possible, social distancing will be observed. This is tentatively scheduled for December 3 at the Community Center.

Beautification Awards: Because there were no Beautification Awards this year due to the CIVID-19 pandemic, the committee members to have a festive decorating contest and award prizes. Categories will be the same as the beautification awards. Instead of plaques, \$25.00 gift cards will be awarded to the winners in each category. After much discussion, the theme **Fun Festive Farragut** was chosen for the event. Arleen and Brittany will drive around town and take pictures and the committee will vote on the awards at their December meeting. Duplicate awards will be given for the new “individual residence” category for the North and South Wards in Farragut.

Rotating Art Event: It was decided to have a two-dimensional art show which will be held March 5 and 6, 2021. Categories will be determined at a later date.

Decorating the Town Hall: Committee members will decorate the Town Hall starting at 9:30 AM on Friday, November 20. The large tree in the Rotunda, the tree outside the Knox County Clerk Office on the second floor and the garland on the upper level will be decorated. Where the patriotic tree normally stands, there will be the names of senior citizens on it so people can select a name and purchase a gift for that person. This was at the request of the Pinnacle at Turkey Creek. The other trees will be taken to the Community Center and place near the entrance. They will only have lights on them, no decorations.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.

The next meeting will be Monday, November 16 at 4:00 PM in the Community Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beverley Hammond, Secretary