

The Beautification Committee of the TOF met at Town Hall, March 6, 2012. In Mabel's absence, ~~Arlene~~^{Arleen} presided. Also present were Clare, Kathy, Gerry, Betty, Barbara, Marty.

Responding to Sue Stuhl's suggestion that a regular meeting time be chosen to determine beautification awards, the group discussion centered on uncertain weather and blooms of the season in question. Committee members decided, selecting a date in the second week of June (when most summer flowering should be "available"), ... this year judging will be Tuesday, June 12, 10:00 A.M. ~~Arlene~~^{Arleen} showed samples of board awards, to be placed on the grounds of winners and be in place for six months. ~~Arlene~~^{Arleen} will "take" a recommendation of committee favorite to staff, (Ruth).

~~Arlene~~^{Arleen} reported the availability of \$12,000 for a new set of banners, $\frac{1}{2}$ from the budget of the Town, and $\frac{1}{2}$ from the budget of the Beautification committee. \$15,000 has been added to budgeted funds to update holiday lighting at Campbell Station Park.

The TOF has made a media release, an appeal for help on Montgomery Trail. There are sixteen garden beds that need attention. Various volunteers, individuals or groups, are being "sought" to help with this work; estimated work time: 2-4 hours monthly. This committee agreed to adopt one bed. Kathy will investigate (!) and learn more details.

The annual (and lovely) banquet (of appreciation) will be at Fox Den on March 30.

August 7 the next committee meeting — dinner plus! at Town Hall.

The committee journeyed (ü) to the hall way where art work, celebrating Arbor Day, was judged. Pictures exhibited were the work of first, second, and third graders with awards determined for each grade level, plus an overall "Best of show" award.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45.

Respectfully submitted,
Matty Rodgers.
Acting Secretary