



City of Pekin Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes
City Hall - Council Chambers - September 19th, 2023 - 5:00PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:01pm. Jacob Brisbin, Charity Gullett, John Dossey, and Dean Schneider were present.

Charity moved to approve the minutes from the August 15th, 2023 and August 30th, 2023 meetings, Dean seconded, and the motion carried. There was no Public Input provided as no members of the public were present.

The outcome of the Marigolden Garden Contest was discussed, as this was the first year the Beautification Committee sponsored the event. Reimbursement of expenses related to the event for printing costs and award gift cards for winners was confirmed in the amount of \$539.45 to be paid to Jacob.

Amy Wilson with Farnsworth Group presented a preliminary proposal for new city welcome signs. The pricing structure stems from an hourly rate. She noted that she is donating her time as of now but pricing is based upon her colleague's hourly rate pertaining to graphic design. Amy explained that signs may be designed by July depending on what materials are utilized. Following the proposal, Charity moved to table the proposal until the Committee is able to complete additional research, as the cost provided for the preliminary design proposal was deemed as too expensive for the service being offered, Dean seconded, and the motion carried. Amy will be contacted by the Committee following a design consultation for possible next steps and/or for possible Farnsworth's involvement with engineering design.

The winners of the 2023 Green Medallion Awards were selected. Charity moved to award 510 Park Ave, 700 Deerfield Dr, 2 Amber Ct, 1514 Fisher St, and 334 Saint Mary St as the winners. Dean seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The Rocktober Awards were briefly discussed, confirming the three categories as Great Pumpkin, Seriously Spooky, and Gourd of the Rings. Winners will be selected at the next regular meeting on October 17th. Mr. Dossey mentioned a new minutes reporting system will be operational soon and more details will be forthcoming.

Charity moved to adjourn at 5:37pm, Dean seconded, and the motion carried.