

Roanoke Rapids Beautification Committee

The Roanoke Rapids Beautification Committee met on September 18, 2017 at 5:30 pm in the Lloyd Andrews City Meeting Hall.

Present:

Ruthie Gregory
Joyce Tillery
Sandra Bryant
Annette Stallings
Sarah Carpenter
Brie Butler
Ernest Bobbitt
Danny Acree
Doug Love

The meeting was called to order.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the June 19, 2017 meeting were approved without additions or corrections.

FINANCIAL REPORT

After some discussion, there was consensus that funds available for current projects/expenditures is \$1,500.00.

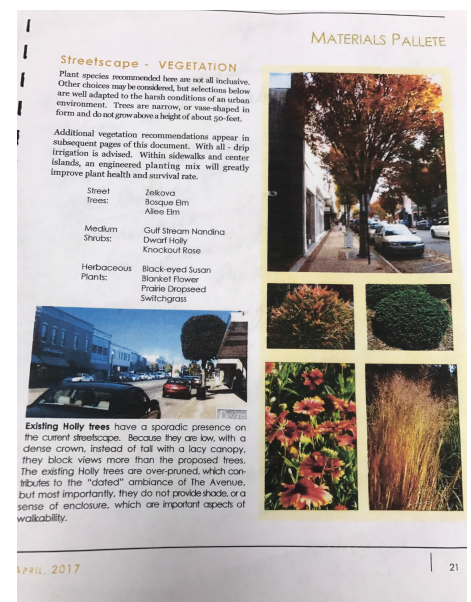
OFFICER ELECTIONS

Motion was made to elect officers for the year. Brie Butler was nominated by Joyce Tillery to fill the vacated position of secretary. Chris Lehman was nominated by Annette Stallings to take over the responsibility of chairman. A nomination for Joyce Tillery to remain the vice chairman was received. After consultation with by-laws to confirm Chris Lehman's appointment was within rules, all nominations were accepted and voted into officer positions.

OLD BUSINESS

The light at the north end of town illuminating the Roanoke Rapids sign has had the lights turned on. All members of the committee are encouraged to view the sign.

Main Street proposed streetscape was discussed. There are concerns about the trees that have been proposed in the initial streetscape design. The concerns are that Zelkova, Bosque Elm, and Ailee Elm would cause unsafe conditions when leaves fall. C. Caudle has explained that these are proposed trees. Concerns for maintaining the Holly Trees were discussed.



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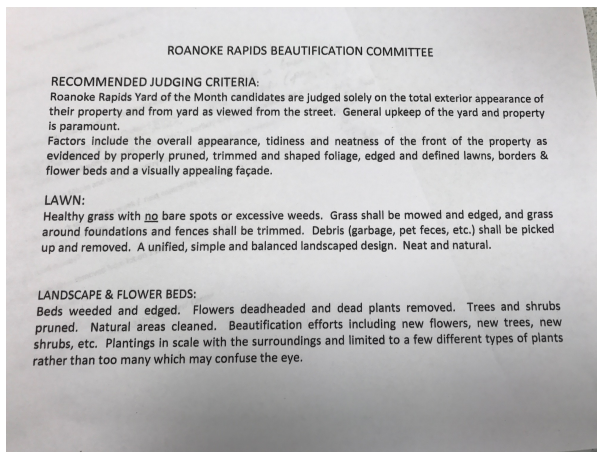
Anyone with interest in maintaining the Holly Trees should speak directly with city council or C. Caudle. See the image above for the safety concerns with proposed new trees.

The retaining wall at the pond was discussed. The wall is washing away on the northeast side.

Herald Extra featured the photographs of the most recent Mayor's Award. The signs will be picked up this week.

The next rounds of Mayor's award team members are: Lehman, Stallings, and White. The focus will be in District D.

Criteria for judging the yard of the month were discussed. See image below.



WHERE TO SPEND THE MONEY

There was some discussion concerning the tree in the cemetery. The committee decided to table to conversation until committee members Chris Lehman and Steve Holliday were present.

NEW BUSINESS

An image of Roanoke Rapids High School was presented. The image taken by local photographer Les Atkins was featured September issue of architectural digest as the most beautiful high school in North Carolina.

NEXT MEETING

October 16th at 5:30 at the Lloyd Andrew's Building

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brie Butler
Secretary