



Minutes
Town of Buena Vista Beautification Advisory Board

Thursday, November 4, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 pm at the Casa del Rio Community Center.

Present: Members - Joy Duprey (chairperson), Sue Benes, Colleen Deffner, Dorothy Distel, Nancy Taylor, Jan Wheeler-Kitzman. Zoom: Bonnie Bailey-Davis, Diane Look, Member; Paul Barnett, Town Representative.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes from the October meeting will be approved via email.

OLD BUSINESS

Finances

7/13/1905	Town Budget		\$14,250.00
<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Balance</u>
	Budgeted for flowers	\$3,900.00	
10/20/2021	Merrifields - flower inserts	-\$3,283.00	\$10,967.00
	Budgeted for xeric gardens	\$550.00	
10/20/2021	Merrifields - plants	-\$184.87	\$10,782.13
	Budgeted for benches	\$5,200.00	
2/1/2021	student-built bench from BVHS	-\$215.04	\$10,567.09
	Plaque for BVHS bench	-\$25.00	\$10,542.09
	Custom Linings coating for BVHS bench	-\$350.00	\$10,192.09
	budgeted for trash cans for South Main	\$4,600.00	
	Six Line down payment for trash cans	-\$2,250.00	\$7,942.09

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	Six Line final payment for trash cans	-\$2,250.00	\$5,692.09
	Other		
	True Value for trash bags (snowflakes) and potting soil	-\$25.48	\$5,666.61
	Novelty Lights for rope lights (snowflakes)	-\$852.25	\$4,814.36
	Amazon for zip ties (snowflakes)	-\$33.98	\$4,780.38
	True Value for spray paint (bows)	-\$26.94	\$4,753.44
	Joy reimbursement for spray paint (bows)	-\$42.15	\$4,711.29
	ACA for concrete (sculpture base)	-\$1,194.58	\$3,516.71
9/20/2021	Temple Display for 4 silver 10' garlands	-\$551.15	\$2,965.56
9/14/2021	Downtown Decorations for 10 red bows	-\$1,123.22	\$1,842.34
10/4/2021	Amazon - Bike Wheel snowman and storage bag	-\$51.73	\$1,790.61
10/4/2021	Amazon - Inflatable ornament	-\$19.98	\$1,770.63
10/9/2021	Sue Benes reimbursement for plants for Splash Park	-\$39.06	\$1,731.57
11/1/2021	True Value - supplies for faux trees set up	-\$24.97	\$1,706.60
11/19/2021	Amazon - 1 set of 24 batteries for trees	-\$32.24	\$1,674.36
11/19/2021	Amazon - 6 sets of globe lights for bridge	-\$71.94	\$1,602.42
	Amazon - 6 sets of globe lights for bridge -returned	\$71.94	\$1,674.36
11/19/2021	Amazon - 10 sets of tube lights for pedestrian bridge	-\$189.00	\$1,485.36
12/6/2021	Amazon - 4 sets of fairy lights for trees	-\$25.99	\$1,459.37

OLD BUSINESS

Scarecrows

- Last year we bought ten \$10 gift cards at Stedman's for the children whose names were drawn; businesses got free publicity in the newspapers.
- Bonnie has a spreadsheet that she'll send us with all the data: number of ballots received, etc.
- We were all floored by the number of participants, and their creativity!
 - We think that hand-delivering the information to the businesses made the difference! Kudos to the beautification team that did this!

Planters/Gardens

- Bonnie and Sue will plant bulbs in the next week or so. Thanks for doing this!!
- Town Gardener position:
 - Joy spoke with Shawn after our last meeting and he thinks that funding looks good.
 - He'd like our board's help in marketing the position.
 - It will be a full time, year round position and will include weed mitigation.
 - He plans to post it on "Indeed." Joy promised that we would do anything and everything to get the word out about this position.
 - We'd like to advertise to graduating college students.
 - We discussed that the Town also has a LinkedIn account that we could use to advertise the position.

Adopt A Tree

- We already have four businesses/groups that have promised to adopt a tree! (Chaffee County Council of the Arts, Deerhammer and Once Upon a Trapeze, Chamber of Commerce)
- We will meet at 10am on Saturday downtown at the railroad tracks to assemble and fluff the trees.
 - Then, we'll place them in the planters.
 - We'll fluff and put the lights on when they're in the planters.
 - Board members should bring wire cutters and gloves.
- We have 33 trees to adopt. We won't place trees in front of Souled Out.
- We will advertise by posting in What's Happening in BV on Facebook, by emailing last year's adopters, posting on the Town's Facebook page (Diane will let Paula know when it's posted on What's Happening), and notifying the Chamber. Diane will start posting on Sunday, 11/7. The deadline for adopting will be Sunday, 11/28.
- Ed Eberle donates the wood for the ornaments for free! Thank you, Ed! Nancy thinks they'll be heart shaped this year.

Town Tree in Splash Park

- The date for putting the tree up is Monday, 11/29. Joy will let us know the time.
- The inflatable ornaments are being shipped from China...and haven't shown up yet. Nancy will look into others.
- Sue and Nancy have ideas about adding snowman sculptures in each of the 3 Splash Park gardens.

Sign at McPhelemy Park

- After the last meeting when we looked at colors, Joy emailed Mark with info.
 - The sign is done and in the ground...and it's the one near the playground. It's beautiful. The bill is \$425.
 - Joy followed up to tell him it was the wrong sign.

- He quoted 3 times as much for the sign at the northeast corner of the park.
- The Town will pay Mark for the sign already done, and Phillip has said that the Town will pay to get the other sign done this year.

Wreaths and Lights on Bridge

- We discussed that there are actually 2 bridges in the park.
- Bonnie has two large wreaths stored. Solar or battery lit garland was discussed.
- We discussed that this is a big job, and that Public Works may need to be the ones to actually hang them.
 - After discussion, we thought that we could put the lights on the bridge, but PW could hang the wreaths.
- Joy will ask Ryan and Shawn for their input.

2022 Budget Requests

- Joy passed out the presentation that she gave to the trustees at the end of October. It was so well received! Thank you, Joy, for taking the time to represent us.

NEW BUSINESS

New Board Website

- Bonnie talked about creating a website for Beautification, to market our fundraisers, and people could sign up there.
- Bonnie sent us the estimate. We'll look at and consider. Paula will talk to the Town to see if we could somehow piggyback on the existing Town sites...
- We'll discuss it again in the future once we have more information.

Town Updates

- Decorative lamp posts are being put up on East Main. Many of the old poles were set in concrete and need to be cut out.
- Paula didn't have additional items, since we've already discussed the signs in McPhelemy Park and putting up the holiday tree.

Adjournment

- We will have a holiday get together instead of our December meeting. We decided to have it on our regular day and time: December 2nd at 5pm. Place TBD.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Projects to continue tracking:

- Kinetic Sculpture Garden
- Cemetery
- Directional signs in K's park