

BEAUTIFY LONDONDERRY COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 20, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.
SUNNYCREST CONFERENCE ROOM
DRAFT MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson Joy Fraga Muller called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Present: John Mahon, John Loker, Laura Hajar, Joy Fraga Muller. Absent: None
2. **Approval of Minutes from the Prior Meeting:** This is the first meeting of the newly “official” Beautify Londonderry Committee.
3. **Public comment:** None.
4. **Officer Nominations and Elections:**
 - A. Chair – Joy Fraga Muller elected, 4-0.
 - B. Secretary – John Mahon elected, 4-0.
 - C. Town Council Liaison – TBD?

Action: Joy to Follow-up with Ron Dunn
5. **Committee Rules:**
 - A. Three Committee members present constitutes a quorum sufficient to hold a meeting.
 - B. Committee correspondence to be routed through the Chair for dispersal as needed. Email sent to more than one Committee member constitutes a meeting a requires minutes.
 - C. Any correspondence done for the whole body is inclusive of meetings where minutes are required.
6. **Committee Responsibilities:**
 - A. Fall and spring clean-up events.
 - B. Sponsor-a-Spot and Sponsor-a-Road.
 - C. Budget and fundraising.
 - D. Welcome To Londonderry Town Signs
7. **Update on Fall Cleanup Numbers:**
 - A. Residents - 10-12 during the Saturday, Oct. 14 event.
Orchard Christian - 7 Participants in a special event.
 - B. Sponsor a Road Fall Clean-ups –
Bosch – 25 Participants
Admix – 10 Participants
Win Waste Innovations – 10 Participants
Ecco – 5 Participants
Trend – No Fall Clean-up
8. **Plan for Spring Cleanup and 2024:**
 - A. Date: Saturday, May 4, 2024. Rain Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024
 - B. New idea: DIY “kiosk” for roadside clean-ups by interested volunteers. This would be outfitted with clean-up supplies (Vests, Gloves, Grabbers)

Action: John Mahon to follow-up with Library to gauge their interest in hosting the BL Kiosk.
9. **Current supply inventory and ordering needs:**
 - A. Supply Inventory review:
Yard signs – Hold on ordering additional signs.
Grabbers – Replace old style grabbers due to high breakage rate. Heavy duty grabbers are currently \$19.97 each on Amazon – **Unger 36” Nifty Nabber/Reacher/Grabber Tool.**

Action: Order 12 Unger Grabbers to bring inventory to 25 including 9 old tools.

Trash bag holders - Good trial but we don't think they are worth it. No reorder.
Green shopping bags - 67 left in inventory.

T-shirts – Inventory sufficient for adults; Child sizes are very low and may require reorder.

Gloves – Inventory low due to loss and wear and tear.

Action: Order 4 dozen pairs.

10. Other Ideas:

A. Thank-you gifts for Clean-up Event volunteers:

A. Ice cream truck at Spring Clean-up?

B. Sunnycrest also has ice cream now - could they be part of Spring event?

Action: John Loker will ask ownership.

C. Fall event - Elwood corn maze? Raffle off tickets?

Action: John Loker also has contact there and will follow-up.

11. Sponsor-a-Spot update:

A. Grant proposal application draft reviewed.

B. South School garden area –

Action: Joy will outreach to Deb to see if she can get someone who is willing to be the person in charge of this area. Jersey Mikes is still willing to assist.

C. Historical Society proposing to use space for shared Town Garden with accommodations for seniors. The role for BL might be for advertising, helping to get the word out. We may be able to help with community events.

Action: Joy will reach out to the Green Team.

12. Round table discussion:

A. Next meeting work on budget.

Action: Chair and Secretary will have a separate meeting with Justin Campo to determine some of the parameters of our “Welcome to Londonderry” signs

B. Lynn Wiles will agree to maintain our relationships with the companies that take care of the sign.

C. New Sponsor A Road sponsors needed:

Action: John Mahon will draft a solicitation letter to the top 20 companies in town.

D. New Member needed for open position:

Action: John Loker to recruit 5th member?

Joy - Letter to the editor, announcement to the town council meeting, and will get this slot onto the list of needed volunteers.

John M will publish to various Facebook groups.

13. **Next meeting:** MLK Day is the third 3rd Monday in January so the next Beautify Londonderry meeting will be held instead on January 22, 2024. There will be no meeting in December.

14. **Adjournment:** At about 8:20 pm, J. Mahon made a motion to adjourn. J. Loker seconded. The motion passed 4-0.