

## **Beautification Minutes of May 14, 2014, 4:30 pm at Town Hall.**

**Present:** Barbara Rushmore, Ross Sormani, Bill Docker, Anika Costa, Dot Freitas, Frank Vasello, Eric Larsen, Deputy Director, DPW, Eddie Jason and Mario Gerardi from B&G.

**RS moved** to approve the Minutes of April 2<sup>nd</sup> with the correction of paying the O'Brien bill from the Beautification Gift Fund (not the General Fund). BD seconded. So voted 4-0 with one abstention.

**RS moved** to pay O'Brien \$2672. BD seconded. So voted 5-0.

**The Beautification Budget** is \$10,649.49. The Gift Fund is \$6,048.49. The Conwell Bill was left on hold.

### **BR Bench and Tree Report:**

1. **The Bolger Bench** for the Johnson St. Parking Lot is on hold until the paving is done there.
2. **The Underberg-Davis Bench** has been installed in the west side of the Bus Stop Park.
3. **The Abelson Bench** has been installed in the Fishermen's Memorial (Waterfront) Park.
4. **The Manuel Smith Bench** has been installed in the sand off Ryder St. Extension near Cabral's Fisherman's Wharf.
5. **The Asklar Bench** will be at the Bus Stop Park (with his plaque put on a bench already sited). The bench itself is on Prince St. facing Crowne Pointe. The O'Brien Bench is to go into the West End Parking Lot when it arrives and is assembled.

**Three trees were planted** in the island in front of the Veterans Memorial Community Center, two dedicated Chinese Scholar Trees and a dedicated Kwanson Cherry Tree was planted on the slope towards the water tank.

**The Bench at the Coast Guard Station** is too low. Eric Larsen will look at the bench and determine if shell removal or excavating the bench is necessary.

**BD got the approval** of the Committee to have 20 half-barrels be cut from barrels at the B&G. They are to be filled with soil and planted with flowers at the Bus Stop Park.

**Next Sunday**, May 18<sup>th</sup> BD, AC and DF are to go to Garden Renovations to purchase flowers. On Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1:30 FV, BD and BR are to site the barrels at the Bus Stop Park.

**Old Library** brick flower beds need repair. The enclosed sign needs repair and painting, as do the railings. Committee Members are to look it over and plans will be made at our next meeting.

**Lighting:** Quahog Electric will be giving EL a low-voltage lighting estimate. BD will purchase one Premium Solar Bollard Light for us to try out.

**Our Next Meeting** will be Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at 4:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara Rushmore