

MINUTES
GALT BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
Thursday, May 20, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Moore at 3:35 p.m. Members present: Moore, Hines, Johnson, Lopes, Trant. Absent: Vicky Johnson and Staff member present: Deputy City Clerk Cory.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment

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The Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 18, 2010

CORRESPONDENCE Kristen's resignation letter effective immediately – read to the group – we will miss Kristen and thank her for ALL she has done for/with the committee and the City of Galt.

Chairman Moore requests all committee members come to the meetings prepared to report on community issues. She also requests members be “aware” of their surroundings and areas of concern in the community. She suggested carrying a pad of paper or other method of quick documentation to write down what one observes about the city – then one can remember what and where they have noticed something requiring intervention and take appropriate action.

NEW BUSINESS

Home of the Month – Lori presented pictures for the home she recommends for Area 2. Evelyn requests Lori email the members the address of the home (to include Sue) by Monday the 24th so they can drive by and view if they wish. The members did agree upon the home being selected without viewing.

Weed abatement was discussed – Evelyn provided the CSD FD phone number and the method of reporting was provided.

Graffiti on the West side was discussed – there had been clean up (by the contracted removal company?) – there was an article in the Galt Herald last week.

Evelyn brought up a neglected home on Lincoln. There is a lot of blight – Evelyn wanted to know if members had suggestions for assisting in clean-up – no final decision was made at this meeting.

Evelyn wanted to point out to the members the award Lois Trant received within the community of Galt – A character award recognizing her for “Honesty” – apparently the picture of Lois and Evelyn was mistakenly omitted from the Galt Herald and Evelyn asked Lori if she could take another picture of the two of them at the end of the meeting.

An announcement should be made soon regarding a new committee member to take Kristen's place soon – there was an announcement looking for volunteers in a recent edition of Galt Herald.

Lost shopping carts was discussed – Evelyn suggested calling the carts corresponding business and informing them of the location of their lost cart.

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Evelyn suggested scheduling a meeting with the CAPS to discuss collaboration of our efforts with the Beautification of Galt – Lori volunteered to contact Lynn to see if a meeting with the CAPS was possible.

Graffiti update – members expressed a concern that there seems to be a delay with reporting graffiti and the cleanup of said graffiti.

OLD BUSINESS

Garage sale signs - Update Report – Members report there has been an improvement and more creative methods of advertising the events. Continue to bring the signs with addresses to the City Clerk's office – with Sue leaving we will need to determine what will be the practice after she is gone.

Bed of Roses Project – Update Report – Members report someone cut off the roses ; (

Adopt a Street Program – Update Report – Evelyn wanted to confirm Lois's church had received a recognition letter for all the hard work with cleaning up their adopted street. Lois will follow up.

Adopt a Plant – Update Report – there was a recommendation that a watering schedule be established so there was not over or under watering. There was a discussion amongst the members as to who would be responsible for what days. Fatima will follow up with Vicky regarding the schedule to coordinate their efforts. Fatima has volunteered to keep SMUD Park.

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Vice Chair Lopes . Nothing to report

Committee Member Johnson – Absent – Vicky where are we with the follow up letters? Will check next meeting.

Committee Member McDonnell – Resigned

Committee Member Hines – Nothing to report

Alternate Committee Member Trant – Nothing to report

Chairman Moore – Note above comments by Evelyn – Meadow View area 110 Downey - ?

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. to reconvene at 3:30 p.m. on June 17, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Galt Beautification Committee