



**THE VILLAGE OF HAWTHORN WOODS
SPECIAL HAWTHORN WOODS IN BLOOM COMMITTEE MEETING
2 LAGOON DRIVE, HAWTHORN WOODS, ILLINOIS
JULY 15, 2020
4:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

I. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Ms. Pelak called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. Roll call indicated the following members were present: Bob Riddle, Farah Laman, Tosi Ufodike, Margo Pelak, Karen Johansen and Beryl Ibbotson. Absent were Beth Ann Dodge, Laurel Kaiser, Megan Masana, Lauren Vondrasek, and Samina Imtiaz.

Also present were Chief Operating Officer Pamela Newton, Chief Administrative Officer and Village Clerk Donna Lobaito, and Parks and Recreation Director Brian Sullivan.

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None this month.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED MAY 22, 2019 AND JUNE 26, 2019

Motion by Riddle, second by Ibbotson to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2019 and June 26, 2019 Hawthorn Woods In Bloom Committee.

Roll call vote.

Ayes: Pelak, Ufodike, Laman, Riddle, Ibbotson

Nays: None

Abstain: Johansen

Absent: Vondrasek, Masana, Dodge, Kaiser, Imtiaz

Motion carried.

Ms. Masana joined the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

IV. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

Ms. Newton updated the committee on the Meadowlark Park development. She also updated the committee on the virtual tours with the America In Bloom judges. The judges first met with Ms. Newton, then next with the Executive Leadership Team, and then lastly with the Mayor and Village Board.

Beth Ann Dodge joined the meeting at 4:11 p.m.

Ms. Newton also reported that the judges were very impressed with our Facebook page and suggested we deserved some type of community spirit award. We will be submitting for six national awards based upon the judges' comments.

V. COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATES AND REPORTS

Ms. Newton reported that due to the no gathering order by the governor, staff planted 200 trees in Brierwoods Park. She noted AmeriCorps help plant and water as well. Also, self-watering hanging baskets were placed at Community Park. Ms. Newton also noted that the in-person symposium has been cancelled due to COVID-19, and that it would be held online. Awards would be presented electronically.

Mr. Riddle noted that Helen Oliveri has agreed to donate popcorn.

Ms. Ibbotson reported that she has been maintaining the police garden.

VI. DETERMINE PRIORITIES FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2020 AND BEYOND

Ms. Newton indicated the committees may have to be reallocated, and asked the members to inform Ms. Pelak at this time where their interests lie. Each committee member discussed their current and/or preferences for next year.

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will take place on August 18, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Riddle, second by Ufodike to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote.

Ayes: Masana, Pelak, Ufodike, Laman, Riddle, Ibbotson, Dodge, Johansen

Nays: 0

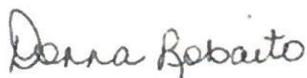
Abstain: 0

Absent: Kaiser, Imtiaz, Vondrasek

Motion carried.

The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna Lobaito
Village Clerk