

# Geneva Beautification Committee

March 15, 2018  
Sunset Fitness Center  
710 Western Ave, Geneva 7pm

## Meeting Minutes

Present: Kathy McNeil, Jena Villarreal, Janice Lucchetti, Kristie Dienst, Mark Chalmers, Dorothy Flanagan, Cookie Olson, Dan Edwards, Roberta Edwards, Maureen Dixon, Debbie Reitz, Mike Reitz, Tim Nelson, Allison Nelson, Mary Kay Brown, Jeanne McGowan

Meeting was called to order at 7:12 pm by Jena Villarreal.

### Introduction of the new Co-Chairs

Kathy McNeil-Marketing  
Jena Villarreal-Committee Development  
Janice Lucchetti-Garden Coordinator  
Kristie Dienst-Secretary/Treasurer

### Introduction of Mark Chalmers-Plant Coordinator

Mark presented pictures of plants chosen for this year Spring/Summer plantings. He discussed the purchasing of new bridge box liners and hanging baskets as the old ones had been damaged through the years. New ones will be kept in the best condition as possible (asking for City's help caring for them when placing them and taking them down for the season. Mark will also discuss with City the watering schedule of these.

Kathy McNeil told of this year's procedures for the Spring planting scheduled for Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup>. RCop will deliver plants to the Hamilton Street parking lot on the north side between 2nd and 3rd Streets at 6:30 am on April 7<sup>th</sup>. All Area Captains are requested to meet at that time to help unload plants and then reload into the garden volunteer vehicles when they arrive to pick up their plants from 7:00-9:00 am. Yard waste bags will be distributed at pickup time. Kathy specifically stated that plastic containers are **NOT** to be left for pick up by the City. Garden volunteers are asked to take them home and place in their personal recycling bins. Greg Maladra will pick up trash bags after the Spring clean up.

Janice Lucchetti (Gardens Coordinator) Discussed the status of Gardens as a whole with a total number at this time being 47 with gardeners tending to all. The chairs will be walking the city viewing each garden and taking notes on Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup>.

A request will be made of the garden volunteers to provide Janice (Via email [flowerchild0511@gmail.com](mailto:flowerchild0511@gmail.com) with the number of bags each garden used for the

Spring Clean up and an estimated total number of bags used for the year. In addition garden volunteers will be asked for the percentage of perennials covering their gardens (10%-20% etc.) and letting Janice know via email.

Dorothy Flanagan informed the committee that Banner Up is the provider of the signs and procedures to obtain them. Janice will look at the condition of the signs and be the coordinator with Cookie Olson and Banner Up Signs.

Kristie Dienst reported that donations from the November request were coming in and greatly appreciated.

Jeanne McGowen presented information to committee regarding Milk Weed program possibility. Committee will review

Planting dates for 2018

Spring Planting Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup>

Summer Planting Saturday May 19<sup>th</sup>

Fall Planting Saturday August 25<sup>th</sup>

Clean-Up Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Next Meeting Dates at Sunset Fitness Center 7pm

Thursday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Thursday August 9<sup>th</sup>