

BLOOMFIELD
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE AGENDA



DATE: January 28, 2025

TIME: 5:30 pm

Present: _____

Not present: _____

Meeting began at _____ **pm and was adjourned at** _____ **pm**

https://www.instagram.com/bbc_bloomfield_ct/ -336 posts -196 followers - 100 following

APPROVE MINUTES from November, **Minutes Scribe –GWEN-Jan. Rise-Feb.**

OLD BUSINESS- UPDATES

- A) Ron Pitz, former Executive Director Knox Parks Foundation will speak on Planting vegetables in raised beds for distribution.
- B) 2025 Notable Landscape Awards, Times and presentation of awards. Gwen, Claire.
- C) Distribution of 2024 certificates
- D) CT Rhododendron Society proposal and meeting. Clock Tower garden at **Arboretum at Town Hall**. Finish the Conifer Garden plantings and label. Create a website page for information on the garden. New brochure.
- E) Recruitment of volunteers for 2025
- F) Arbor Day Foundation Grant with Cummins.

NEW BUSINESS

- A) Plant orders for 2025 and Budget information.
- B) Report from DPW that pertains to BBC.
 - a. Tree circles and mulching around TFB trees in public spaces. Compost for east corner of Town Hall for new plantings.
 - b. Irrigation for pollinator garden at Town Hall.
 - c. Removal of designated Ornamental Grass.
 - d. A walk around with BBC pertaining to 2025 maintenance at Public Gardens.
- C) **REVIEW PLANT CALENDAR DRAFT – possible ACTIVITIES FOR 2025**
 - 1) Planting & Maintenance of **Public Spaces and Planters** with pollinators trees planted on public properties to include Town Center, Police Dept., 330 Park, Municipal Pool, 2 Electronic Signs, Mary Hill, Prosser Library? Spring Summer Fall Winter. Coordinate with DPW.
 - 2) **Farmington River Park-**
 - a. Annual Mother's Day/Father's Day Walk? Select a date, last year June 15
 - b. Completion of projects at FRP including placement of bird and street signage, placement of 4 benches, plus installation of owl signage initiated by Rebuilding Together Hartford and funded by Niagara Bottling.
 - c. Birdhouse project
 - d. Maintenance of bulb gardens and woodchip installation (ABB?)
 - 3) **TREES FOR BLOOMFIELD**
 - a. May maintenance and September Tree Keeper Checkup.
 - b. Tree Giveaway
 - c. Other projects and recognition events.
 - 4) **Removal of Invasives** bittersweet etc. at LaSalette Park- April (Cummins)
 - 5) **Holiday Decorating**
 - 6) **Vegetable Garden Project Giveaway** at 330 Park. Partner with Seniors
 - 7) **Possible Scarecrow Exhibit** with community and local businesses, Chamber, etc October and November- Discussion
 - 8) **The ARBORETUM AT TOWN HALL** See above under old business.
 - 9) **OTHER?**

CALENDAR- Next meeting February 25, 2025 5:30 pm Town Hall

MINUTE TAKERS: _____

Jan-Gwen • Feb-Rise • Mar-Ruthie • April-Claire • May-Ruth • June-Beverly • July-Gwen • Aug-Rise • Sept-Ruthie • Oct-Claire • Nov-Ruth