

**Pelham Beautification Committee**

**Meeting Notes: February 22, 2016**

**Present: Amber Cuthbertson, Greta Hildebrand, Sandra Harding**

**Ava Colangelo and Marisa Battista (MYAC reps.), Richard Rybiak, Kim Holland**

**Regrets: Maria Zeghayer (Chair), Andrea Clemencio**

7:05 pm Approval of Agenda	Approved	
Approval of Minutes of January 11, 2015	Minutes for January 11 approved; Strategic plan accepted as modified. Motedioned: Marisa Seconded: Ava	
Business Arising from the January 11, 2016 meeting  <b>Restarting Community Garden Tour</b>  Past Information Documents:	Marisa was not successful in receiving information on the Community Garden Project through the avenues she had been directed. Richard suggested contacting the Town's Clerk, Nancy, for the information. He reiterated that the \$10,000 budget which had been approved by Council in 2012, was still available.  Other documents generated or received by the former Community in Blooms members, Greta and Sandra, were available and will be emailed to the Committee. Amber suggested that the records from the Town's Public meeting in 2014 which listed interested participants, is especially useful. Sandra volunteered to contact these people. Businesses who expressed an interest in donating materials should also be contacted.	Marisa to contact Nancy, Town Clerk.  Greta and Sandra to forward documents to Committee. Sandra to contact interested participants at the appropriate time.
<b>Garden Tour</b>  Involve Artists  Idea Generation	Information on previous tours not available at this time. Hold until next meeting for Maria's report. Committee members were enthusiastic about pooling resources and ideas to organize a collaborative event that would generate more public interest. It was suggested that the Horticultural Society's annual garden tour might be combined with the Pelham tour. Amber volunteered to contact their executive members in this respect.  Pelham's artists were previously discussed as an addition to the Garden Tour. Greta will be meeting with one of Fenwick's artist tour organizers to discuss the proposal and options such as offering their own studios and/or exhibiting on the various gardens sites.  Further to ideas that have been discussed previously: Marisa discussed a recent Expo. held on Family Day at E.L. Crosley Secondary School. Being represented at such an event would offer another valuable way for the Beautification Committee and its	Amber to contact Horticultural Society  Greta to meet with artists  Marisa to bring information on how we can become involved back to the

	<p>activities to become better known.  Marisa was asked to report back on the way we could take this idea forward.</p>	Committee
<p><b>Gateways and Urban Design guidelines</b></p>	<p>Committee members received Urban Plan Guidelines and were asked to note any aspect that stands out, for further discussion.  Amber updated the Committee on The Town's approval of funding for the Gateway Art project. Greta is sitting on the Committee for this project and as such, Amber requested that Greta represent the Beautification Committee.</p> <p>Richard suggested that the Committee might want to be involved in the direction that we'd like to go as gateways into Pelham are a much larger issue than just the present Eastern Fonthill project.</p>	Greta to update Committee on Gateway Art Project
<p><b>Tree Management Policy</b></p>	<p>Kim Holland spoke on behalf of Pelham regarding the Town's Tree Management Policy.  Although under the direction of a qualified arborist, the goals are achievable more so than ideal.</p>	
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<p>Sandra would like to begin discussions regarding the Comfort Maple Project.  Spring Clean Up: Richard would like to discuss the annual spring clean-up: who will run it?  Amber mentioned community stakeholders including the Walking Club and Lions Club.</p>	
<p>8:25 pm  <b>Adjournment</b></p>	<p>Next meeting set for March 15, 2016  Adjournment moved by Sandra.</p>	