Beautification Meeting

March 11, 2023 - 10:00 AM

Chairperson Brenda Hart opened the meeting at 10AM with the following people present: Joe Sommers, Gail Parker, Pam Behrensprung, Mary Livingston, Kathy Vanderwall, Gail Swenson, Anne Neel, Gary King, Dick Martel, Danny Hart, Gwen Scorfina, Liz King, Louise Sanders, Preston Becker, Debi Sparks, Laurie Talarico, Angie Bageant

Budget/Donations: We have \$675 on credit at Richard's tree farm (left from 2022) and a total of \$ 1487.09 in donations. Recent donations were received from Albert Pimentel, Joe Dubois and Judy Nichols. Thank you sincerely for your generosity.

Irrigation Update: Although the location of piping and equipment was documented in the past couple years, the task of repairing/replacing needed items is overwhelming since the storm. Looking for a vendor who can help. There are approximately 240 heads that will need to have the grass, etc. cleaned out – planning to call for "all Hands on Deck" to help. Meanwhile, a special thank you goes to all those who continue to manually water our trees and bushes. When irrigation is restored, we can move forward with replacement planting. Will replant trees closer to the rainy season.

Electric in Roundabout – Solar pathway lights are working well so old wiring will be removed – Gary King is heading up this project.

Herb Garden – Discussion was heard about where to place it. Needs to be near water source and not in full sun. Looking at the area behind clubhouse near where the new BBQ pit will be.

Recently a few small flowers were planted as well as three Oleanders for clubhouse area. Have also purchased hose nozzles. A new hose and nozzle was purchased from proceeds from the tailgate party. Roundabout area is looking better with help from our resident armadillo who is eating insects and turning over the soil.

Communications Board – Angie Bageant will lead the effort to put the pictures and "donation tree" back up on the board in the clubhouse. Scrapbooks, and gardening resource materials have been placed back on the table below the boards for all to use/see.

Power Washing has slowed down because during recent efforts of cleaning around the clubhouse, water was getting inside around the windows. A fix is being sought for that problem. Meanwhile, Danny will set up a date to clean the pool area – probably by the end of March.

Yearly Outing: Planning a group trip to the Edison house/garden center/grounds in downtown Fort Myers with lunch to follow in the downtown area on Wednesday, April 5. Plans will be firmed up soon and the community will be invited to join in the fun.

This is the last meeting for the season. The summer will be really busy as work continues to restore trees, plants and grounds. Lend a hand if you can help please. Meeting concluded at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Angie Bageant