

**Beautification Commission**  
**Minutes**  
**Monday, November 9, 2020**  
**5:30 pm**  
**Zoom**

**Call to Order:** 5:36 pm

**Roll Call:** Colleen Crossey, Cindy Haley, Cindy Lang, Courtney Opalko, Christen Pietraz, Isaly Szetela, Celia Todd, Laura Williams

**Excused:** Colleen Crossey, Celia Todd, Laura Williams

**Absent:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Moved Isaly, Seconded Christen

**Approval of Agenda:** Moved Isaly, Seconded Christen

**Old Business:**

**Current Projects:** The following projects were discussed:

1. National Wildlife Federation Certification (Laura)
  - Novi has been certified by the National Wildlife Federation
2. Keep Michigan Beautiful Award (Celia)
  - Novi has been awarded \$400
  - Park Entryway Sign Adoption could be used to apply for an additional \$500
  - Cindy will check with Wendy on status of KMB
  - Simone will check current funds available in Beautification account
3. Park Entrance Sign Adoption (Cindy L, Isaly)
  - Isaly created a new draft brochure and application which she will email to Simone to be reviewed
4. Home/Neighborhood decorating and landscaping recognition (Cindy H)
  - Community Relations has communicated a holiday decorating contest for Novi residents
  - Beautification Commission may work in tandem with Community Relations to include neighborhood entryways
  - Commission may also work on a similar program for spring
5. Entryway Grants
  - The new application is now available
  - The 2021 timeline has been announced
  - Grants are still being awarded to 2020 recipients

**Grants:**

Waste Management

- Cindy has contacted Rick Meader to get a list of the plants in the butterfly garden
- Christen will get bids on making signs to label the plants

**Discussion:**

- Possible tour with Rick Meader in the spring

**Meetings:**

December 14

Tentative for 2021: January 11, February 8, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13

**Events:**

Tollgate Holiday Lights at the Farm, December 17-21

**Adjournment:** 6:22 pm: Moved Cindy H, Seconded Courtney