



**AMHERST COUNTY
ROUTE 29 BUSINESS
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**



MINUTES

DATE: June 25, 2024
TIME: 4:00 PM
PLACE: Administrative Office Comp

1. Call to Order

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Jones (Chair), Lori Saunders, Calvin Kennon, Dottie Rucker, Benita Unrue, Teresa Brooks, Nate Young & Tyler Creasy

MEMBERS ABSENT: Virginia Myers & Tony McBride

Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to approve the agenda

Motion made by: Teresa Brooks

Second: All in favor

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

3. Approval of Minutes for May 28, 2024

A. May 28, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to approve the May 23, 2024, meeting minutes as submitted.

Motion made by: Unrue

Second: All

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

4. Discuss Candidates for the A+ Improvement Award

A. Attachment

The Committee held a brief discussion for which business should win the A+ Improvement Award.

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to nominate Whitten Monelison Chapel.

Motion made by: Kennon

Second: Brooks

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

5. Change to Mini-Grant Application to Include a Deadline on Completion

A. Attachment

Mr. Creasy presented changes to the mini-grant application.

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to approve the proposed mini-grant application changes as submitted.

Motion made by: Saunders

Second: All

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

6. Project Suggestions

A. Attachment

Mr. Creasy presented project suggestions to the Committee. The Committee wanted to add the following projects to the list:

- Goat Busters (Kudzu along Route 29 Business)
- Pay contractors to clean up the hillside along Route 29 Business,
- Landscape the new Madison Heights Community sign.

The Committee then instructed staff to send out the list of projects via email so that they could take a vote for their top projects in preparation for their next meeting.

7. Research Banner Ideas

The Committee discussed design ideas for the County banners along Route 29 Business. Discussion included changing the color and a different design.

Staff was instructed to bring back the approved County colors and designs at their July meeting.

8. Budget Review

9. Old/New Business

The Committee discussed the following under old and new business:

- Chairman Jones discussed decorating the new Community sign in Madison Heights.
- Committee member Saunders discussed how she would like for the Committee to focus on our existing plants and not trash pick-up.
- Committee member Rucker brought up Lyttleton fire and rescue and how she would like them to submit a mini-grant for upgrades.
- The Committee discussed that they would like for mini-grant applications to be sent to all business and for approved applications to have a sign placed in their front yard.

10. Adjournment

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to adjourn.

Motion made by: Saunders

Second: Brooks

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:54 pm.

Chairman