

## TRAFFIC AND BEAUTIFICATION MEETING

### MINUTES

March 15, 2021

#### TELECONFERENCE ATTENDANCE:

PHYLLIS JUETTE  
VONNIE MOTT  
MARY ANN WEBER  
LINDSAY GOODLOE  
GAIL TAFARO  
MAUREEN HEMSWORTH  
CATHERINE LEIGH  
LINDA LAUERMAN  
PETER MARTINO  
CHARLIE GUNTHER

Minutes from the March 1, 2021 meeting approved and accepted.

#### **OPERATION PRIDE:**

Saturday, May 1, 2021 planned for 10 to Noon. Rain date May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Texier House Parking lot.

Will need four tables to spread things out due to COVID 19. Phyllis ordering hand sanitizer  
And masks.

Mary Ann will order tee shirts. We confirmed that there is a separate budget item for expenses  
for Operation Pride. Mary Ann will provide small water bottles and gloves.

T&B portion responsible for shirt order, table, signup sheets, gloves, water.

Gail Tafaro, Mary Ann Weber, Vonnie Mott, Sondi Epstein will be there.

Lindsay suggested using traffic cones to control flow of people for signup. DPW will provide a  
truck and garbage bags for debris collection. Reviewed areas of town to be designated as clean  
up points but people may suggest other sites that they prefer to clean up, i.e., their own  
neighborhood or other spot that they see needs work.

#### **MAY PLANTING:**

May planting will be Wednesday, May 12, 2021, 8:30 meeting in front of Boro Hall. Bring  
digging tools, gloves and kneelers. Flower flats will be ordered through Steve Black. Order 20  
flats Tri Begonias (red, pink, white) and 10 flats of short, large flower marigolds for the triangles.  
For Spratford Park, Medians and Blue Star Memorial  
order 6 Flats of Vinca. The engineering office planter needs more soil and order 12 Tubular  
Begonias. DPW needs to turn the soil over in the triangles for planting.

**BANNERS:**

If we go with the larger banners for the holidays, there was discussion about American Flag banners to be used other times in the year. Once the poles are adjusted to the larger size, they cannot be reversed. Since Charlie may be leaving at the end of March, Charlie indicated that Art who will be taking his place is fully aware of the plan.

**HOLIDAY DECORATIONS:**

The artificial trees that we placed on Boro Hall still light but the ones placed at the Texier House do not light any more. Suggestion is to move the ones from Boro Hall to the Texier House and buy new ones for the Boro Hall. We will also need to purchase new red bows for fence on Town Square as the ones we have been using are weather-worn.

**MEDIANS:**

Charlie Gunther mentioned that he may be able to purchase cherry trees at a very good price but we would need to act fast. Could be purchased from the tree fund if approved. Since there is no water on the large median, the focus would be on the two lower medians that have water. Peter Martino mentioned that he would like to see the large median irrigated sooner and that should be a priority.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Gail asked if there is an ordinance about removing trash bins and recycle bins from the front of residences after pickup. They can be very unsightly when left out all the time. No one was sure offhand that there is such an ordinance.

Charlie spoke about the leaving the Boro for a time due to pension. When he can, he would like to rejoin T&B which was met with great enthusiasm by the members. Charlie is such a wealth of knowledge about gardening, planting, and town history.

Next zoom meeting will be held on Monday April 5 at 7:30 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
MARY ANN WEBER