

MINUTES
The Regular Meeting of the
Aberdeen Appearance & Beautification Commission

January 21, 2014
Tuesday, 12:00 p.m.

Robert N. Page Municipal Building
Aberdeen, North Carolina

The Aberdeen Appearance & Beautification Commission met on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. for their Regular Meeting. Present were Chairperson Elease Goodwin, Eldiweiss Locky, Janet Peele, Dene Moon, Gail Clay, Dale Streicker, and Planning Director Pam Graham.

1. A motion was made by Dale Streicker and seconded by Janet Peele to approve the minutes from the October 15, 2013 meeting. Motion approved by unanimous vote.
2. Planters – three additional planters are being stored at the Public Works facility for placement and planting in the spring. A slideshow of potential locations was presented. The locations selected were: 1) northwest corner of Poplar and Knight, 2) near Kee's Appliance or across Main Street at the corner of Exchange Street, 3) Sycamore Street, by parking spaces and bench across from The Depot.
3. Montevideo Shells – Dale Streicker mentioned seeing one of the Montevideo light posts on Poplar Street near Brian Road. The group is still interested in acquiring these but the property owner must be agreeable and has not committed to providing them as yet.
4. A discussion of a street tree project to honor recently retired Mayor Betsy Mofield was supported by the Commission. The project would involve the planting of street trees that match the names of streets in town, i.e. Maple (Sharpe Park was suggested), Sycamore, Poplar, Magnolia, Elm, Peach, Chestnut. It was agreed that this should be started during the current fiscal year.
5. Director Graham updated the Commission on the Land Use Plan update project that is currently underway and invited the group to look for opportunities to participate. This effort will continue through next spring.
6. Planner Graham also informed the Commission that the Historic Preservation Commission has engaged a consultant to update the Historic District Design Guidelines and that project is underway. She invited the Commissioners to attend the public meetings and provide input as this process moves forward.
7. There was a mention of the new banners in Southern Pines and that an art student at Sandhills Community College designed them.
8. Chairperson Goodwin mentioned that the perimeter area on The Depot grounds needs more massing and seasonal color.
9. Janet Peele inquired who plants the sidewalk leading to the Library entrance, and that the Garden Club would be willing to plant and maintain it if Public Works would prepare the beds.

10. Motion to adjourn was made by Eldiweiss Lockett and seconded by Elease Goodwin.
Motion carried unanimously.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Elease Goodwin, Chairperson

Pamela Graham, Secretary