City of Homewood Beautification Board

February 13, 2023

#### **MINUTES**

## Attending:

Ravi Patel, Nancy Mason, Nick Sims, Meredith Drennen, Sam Bokatzian, Laura Stansell, Sam Lloyd, Ben Booth, Nancy Walburn

Guest: Jim Johnson

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:06 PM at the City of Homewood Council Chambers with Chair Ravi Patel presiding and Meredith Drennen recording the minutes.

#### **Old Business:**

The Street Sign project has gone to bid and has been approved through the Finance Committee and Council. The project will be divided into thirds. Ravi Patel and Chris Smith will confirm with Randy Hambley if the project will be divided geographically, alphabetically, or by the existing green signs.

Ravi Patel sent out a sign up do determine a date for the Beautification Award. March 22 at noon was confirmed.

Berkley Squires is getting quotes for additional hanging baskets in areas with the decorative lampposts.

### **New Business:**

Jim Johnson gave a brief presentation on his initiative, Homewood Clean Streets. He has been volunteering his time to pick up litter in Homewood and it's adjacent roads over the last nine years. He has challenged residents to adopt areas to regularly monitor and pick up, believing that a clean area promotes pride and helps perpetuate a clean Homewood. The Board decided to add a street cleanup, as well as help promote Homewood Clean Streets through Social Media and help encourage residents to sign up with Mr. Johnsons email list.

A March Creek cleanup is still planned with an April Street cleanup added.

The Columbiana Gateway was hit by a car, and a few stones are missing from the Hollywood Gateway, so Ravi and Nick will let Randy know they need repair.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Meredith Drennen Submitted the January meeting minutes. Nancy Walburn moved for approval, and Sam Bokatzian seconded. Motion was carried.

# **Next Meeting**

The next Beautification Board meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2023, in City Council Chambers. There being no further business, Ravi Patel adjourned the meeting at 1:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Meredith Drennen, Secretary.