



## **DARLINGTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR JUNE 15, 2016.**

The meeting of the Beautification Board was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Lisa Chalian-Rock. Members present: Lisa Chalian-Rock, Laura Burns, Howard Garland, Becky Ishman, Jimmy White and Susan Bridgers.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Susan Bridgers thanking Him for each of those in attendance and those who could not be with us this morning, and asking Him for guiding us in all we do to help preserve the beauty of his creation. Special prayers continue for those who suffered loss this week in the tragedies occurring not only Nationwide, but Worldwide.

Minutes of our April meeting, were reviewed by those in attendance, with a correction noted as to the reference therein to “repair of the electric service for the lights poles”, which is actually to be “installation of service on the light poles”, which correction will be made, and with a Motion for approval, with said correction, by Laura Burns and seconded by Mr. White, there was unanimous approval by all.

Lisa Chalian-Rock gave the Treasurer’s Report and provided a written copy to all in attendance, which also included the budgeted items.

Ms. Chalian-Rock also advised that the benches were to be installed at the public walkway and the City Mural, and Mr. White suggested that the Board give thought to placing a bistro table and chairs in the walkway between Vaughan Insurance and the Carolina Bank and Trust Administrative building.

Ms. Chalian-Rock also advised the Board that the irrigation system is in working order and a vote was taken as to the plantings to be chosen for the South Main area for enhancement. The Crepe Myrtles presently located there will remain and new plantings of Bordeaux Holly and Red Drift Rose were chosen. Mr. White urged the Board to request that maintenance be included when getting bids for this area, and the Board unanimously agreed to the same.

Mrs. Chalian-Rock discussed with the Board the Guidelines for the Pride Award, a copy of which was furnished to each member. After discussion, Motion was made by Laura Burns and seconded by Becky Ishman, that the Residential Pride Award nominations would be made in April and October of each year and awarded in May and November of each year, and the Business Pride Award nominations would be made in January and June of each year and awarded in February and July of each year, which Business Award would include the interior of businesses and also other non-residential property. The Board unanimously approved this Motion.

Mr. White also made a Motion that an award be given to the City Employee of the year, which would be presented in December, and Mr. Garland seconded the same and the Board unanimously approved this Motion. The method of nomination will be further discussed at our August meeting.

Mrs. Chalian-Rock and Mr. Garland advised the Board that the Mexican Restaurant had recently repainted their façade, which paint colors were on the approved color wheel.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m., and our next meeting will be August 17, 2016.

Respectfully submitted: Susan Bridgers, Acting Secretary