

City Beautiful Commission Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2017 2 pm 3427 N. Magnolia

Members Present: Gayle Fisher, Susan Langley, Joyce Brewer, Bubba Earnhart, Betsy Davies

Guests Present: Bert Turner – Friends of the Old Mill

Staff: Dan Scott and Shirley Abel

The meeting came to order at 2 pm. A quorum was present.

Old Business:

A grant request from Shady Valley for \$2000.00 to beautify common areas was discussed. Susan Langley moved the grant be approved and Bubba Earnhart seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

A grant request from the Argenta Downtown Council for \$8000.00 for tulip bulbs and plants for beds and pots was discussed. Joyce Brewer moved the grant be approved and Betsy Davies seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

New Business:

A grant request from the Friends of the Old Mill was discussed. It was a request for \$2227.00 to be used to freshen existing flower beds at the Old Mill and to fix four leaks in the existing sprinkler system. Joyce Brewer moved the grant be awarded and Betsy Davies seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Susan Langley brought up the problem of water at the Old Mill stagnating in the pool by the mill wheel and asked Bert if there were any plans to address that. Bert told the Commission about a plan to run a 6" line up the hill to recirculate 400 gallons per minute from Lake #2 (The lake the mill sits on.) to help keep the water in the pools flowing, spin the wheel, and have all the waterfalls and drips at those pools working. The plan calls for using a directional drill to run the line to protect the sidewalks and trees along the route. The estimated cost for the line, the drilling, and the heavier-duty pump is approximately \$40,000.00. This will improve the look of the Old Mill by having the wheel constantly turning, lessen

the stagnation of water in the pools there, and save the city money by not having to push city water through the pools. After discussion, Susan Langley made the motion that the City Beautiful Commission approve allocating the remaining balance (\$8,903.00) for this year as a special project to Friends of the Old Mill to start as seed money for the project that is being called “Cascading Waterfall Project”. Bubba Earnhart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.

Beginning Balance	\$ 21,130
- Shady Valley Project	<u>- 2,000</u>
<i>Balance</i>	\$ 19,130
- Argenta Downtown Council Tulips	<u>- 8,000</u>
<i>Balance</i>	\$ 11,130
- Friends of Old Mill Freshen Up	<u>- 2,227</u>
<i>Balance</i>	\$ 8,903
- Special Project FOM Waterfall	<u>- 8,903</u>
<i>Ending Balance</i>	0.00

There is no remaining balance in the City Beautiful Commission Line Item. There will be no more meetings this year.