City Beautiful Commission Meeting Minutes January 16, 2017

<u>Members Attending:</u> Bubba Earnhart, Betsy Davies, Joyce Brewer, Gayle Fisher, Susan Langley
Staff: Dan Scott

The meeting came to order at 6:05 pm. A quorum was present.

Discussion was held about the final request from 2016 from the Friends of the Old Mill grant to work on erosion at the Old Mill. In November of 2016 the group wanted to approve the grant provided some questions were answered about the placement of some plants. Those questions were answered, but there was not a quorum present at the December meeting. Staff sent the check to FOM as per the groups stated intention in November. Susan Langley moved and Gayle Fisher seconded a motion to officially approve the request. It was approved unanimously.

Discussion was held about the value of a volunteer hour on the application form. The City and state standard is \$21.36. Bubba Earnhart moved and Betsy Davies seconded adopting the standard for all City Beautiful grant requests. It was approved unanimously. Staff was directed to change the application on the city website and on paper copies. Staff was also directed to make changes to the application to make it easier to understand and fill out correctly.

A request from the Indian Hills Neighborhood Association was discussed. The grant is for \$2200.00 for a statue for the Indian Hills Fire Station. Bubba Earnhart moved the grant be approved and Betsy Davies seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A request from the Patrick H. Hays Senior Center for \$1,000.00 for plants to beautify the Center was discussed. Joyce Brewer moved the grant be approved. Bubba Earnhart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Staff was asked to encourage applicants to use North Little Rock vendors when possible. Staff was asked to keep CBC members informed about the next city-wide cleanup.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45.

Total 2017 funds	\$20,000
IHNA statue	- 2,200
Senior Center	<u>- 1,000</u>
Remaining Balance	\$16,800

(City Beautiful spent all of its 2016 allocation of \$20,000 in 2016.)