

BRAAC Meeting Minutes
April 2nd , 2015

BRAAC Members Present: Bo Henderson, Melissa Picket, Curt Andrews, Deborah McDowell, Anne Barnes
BRAAC Members Absent: Barbra Wright
Staff Members: Jennifer Brown, Chris Pate and Erin Kegley.

The meeting was called to order by Bo at 5:38 p.m.

Approve March Minutes – Anne made a motion to approve the minutes, Curt seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Budget Update/Annual Fundraising Collection –Jennifer reported that BRAAC Revenue has not changed since last month, but this will change in May because that is when hanging basket donations come in. Jennifer stated the Revenue is still \$25,230.00 to date. BRAAC's Expenses also have not changed because the flowers and hanging baskets for the Town have not been paid for at this time. The expenses are at \$8,957.02. Curt asked if there is a summary sheet for the expenditure statement that breaks down the expenses we make, and also shows expected dates for payments so that the committee will know, instead of being surprised. Jennifer stated when the statement sheet is printed it only shows what is spent for the current year and that month. She can have a detail printed for the year though.

Clean-up Day- Clean up day is April 25th, the last Saturday of April. Melissa stated that Chetola has agreed to donate hotdogs and hamburgers, Woodlands donated coleslaw, Deborah is cooking the chili, Jennifer got chips for \$0.30 per bag, and Bo has picked up all the water and soda. Participants will meet in Recreation Center at 9:00AM, and we will begin eating at 11:30am.

Hanging Baskets Memorial Options (newspaper, articles, letter sent to recipient, posted in Kiosk,etc.)- Jennifer stated that last month BRAAC brought up the idea of having plaques on the hanging baskets for those who have bought one for a memorial. Chris stated that if plaques were put on the baskets, some baskets may not survive and we would not want memorials attached to poor baskets. Also, people would not be able to see the plaques once flowers grow. Some ideas that were discussed were to put up something in the kiosk in Memorial Park with names of those in memory of and/or in honor of. Debora stated that she talked to David Rogers and he mentioned that BRAAC will have their own page on his web-site where BRAAC can post names of those in honor of and/or in memory of. Curt stated that it will be nice to have a place for residents and non-residents to visit and glorify those in the memorial. Jennifer mentioned that putting something in the kiosks would also give residents and visitors an idea to possibly donate as well. Bo and Curt agreed with Jennifer.

Miscellaneous- Jennifer stated that the president of the Garden Club, Mrs. Baskins, took the Gossip Park Sign to show it at the next Garden Club meeting and discuss who will take care of replacing and paying for the sign. Melissa asked if we have any further detail on the flower pyramids for businesses because the Chamber is interested in helping promote them to businesses and helping with collecting donations for them. Bo stated that this subject needs to be presented and passed by Town Council before we can discuss any further about the flower pyramids. Melissa asked about the Garden in front of Memorial Park and the possibility of working with the Garden Club about renovating it. She stated that with the gazebo close to being complete, and is one of the major focal points of Memorial Park; she feels that it would be good to get new ideas and plantings in there. Chris stated that he would like to talk to the Garden Club to get on the same page with same flower selections so the Town can be more uniform with flowers. Jennifer stated that Myra has resigned and there is one seat available. Bo asked that at the next meeting a discussion take place for recommendations for Myra's spot.

Deborah made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Melissa Seconded, and it was an unanimous vote to approve.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held Thursday, May 7, 2015 at Town Hall at 5:00 p.m.