

**HOPE MILLS APPEARANCE COMMISSION MINUTES
FOR
OCTOBER 27, 2020**

1. **Call to order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:38 by Chair, Tina Yossett.
2. **Roll Call:**
 - Marie Callender, Secretary
 - Grace King
 - Jamie Bahma, Parks & Rec Liaison
 - Tina M. Yossett, Chair
 - Maurice Edwards, Guest
 - Demetrius Polk
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Demetrius Polk to approve agenda with additions if necessary. Motion 2nd by Grace King. Motion carried.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Grace King to approve the September minutes with necessary corrections. Motion 2nd by Demetrius Polk. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- a. **COVID-19 Update:** Governor Roy Cooper continued Phase III until November 13, 2020.
- b. **Christmas Events:** Per Jamie Bahma, Megan will order 10 six foot trees and they will be purchased from Megan's budget. Megan will also work on the flyers for the Village of Trees and the Porch Parade for distribution throughout the town and at various businesses. A discussion was had about the registration fees for the Village of Trees. It was suggested that the proceeds could go to the Town of Hope Mills. The Commission discussed selling the trees and possibly auctioning the winning tree and donate a percentage of the proceeds to a worthy cause or to a charity. It was also suggested that it would be nice if the Town of Hope Mills could sponsor a family or families for Christmas.

The Porch Parade guidelines tabled to be discussed at the November meeting.

Luminaries were taken off the agenda until Christmas 2021. Motion by Grace King to take luminaries off the agenda until 2021. Motion seconded by Marie Callender. Motion carried.

- c. **YOM:** The winner for October 2020 was Ms. Marion McDonald at 3706 Brownstone Court. It was suggested that going forward that it would be nice each winner would also receive a YOM Certificate once their sign was collected. The Commission would coordinate when to pick up the YOM sign from Ms. McDonald. The next YOM recommendation for November was 4308 Rocinta . Tina Yossett will contact the homeowner to inform them and get their information.

Bows: Jamie reported that Elizabeth Belvins has volunteered to help make bows for the Christmas decorations at the Lake. The design will be red/white candy cane bows with red/white glitter with a long tail. Per Jamie, Ms. Belvins has agreed to make bows at no charge to the Commission. The Commission will only have to provide the materials. Motion by Demetrius Polk to purchase supplies for Ms. Belvins to make 20 bows at a total cost of \$175. Seconded by Marie Callender. Motion carried.

The Commission will meet at the Recreation Center to fluff bows on Saturday, November 14 at 9:00 a.m. in preparation for decorating the Lake on Saturday, November 21, 2020 at 9 a.m.

New Business:

- a. **Handouts:** Jamie suggested that the Commission hand out tumblers to spectators during the tree lighting this year. The price of 125 tumblers would be \$3.47 each plus shipping and handling for a total cost of \$580.50. Motion by Grace King to purchase 125 tumblers for handouts at the tree lighting this year. Seconded by Demetrius Polk. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion by Demetrius Polk to adjourn meeting at 8:20 p.m. Seconded by Grace King. Motion carried.

Tina Yossett, Chair

Marie Callender, Secretary