Minutes, Beautification Committee meeting, February 8, 2010

Present: Ken Withrow, Bob Falco, Herb Wiebe, Ron Eccleston, Tony Gonsalves,

John Gordon, Candace Clark

Also attending: Commissioner Chuck Keener, members of Island of Lights organization

Absent: Priscilla Smith, Gary Cox, Elaine Eisberg

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm

1. Members of the Island of Lights organization offered \$3,000 to the Town of KB for holiday decorations. They explained that, in order to obtain a 35% discount, the deadline for purchasing from the Mosca company is the end of February, 2010. Committee consensus was to buy nautical displays in keeping with the decorations we already have. Discussion ensued of various options. It was decided members would take until Wednesday, Feb. 10, examining the lighting booklet and price list.

[On Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 3:40, Ken Withrow presented scale drawings of two display options to committee members attending another meeting. He recommended, and other members agreed, to present Council with the two plans, indicating the committee's preference for the all-fish option because its components were more in harmony.]

2. Sandman project.

Ken Withrow suggested eliminating this item from the committee's agenda unless Council requests action.

3. Sign project

The Town paid Ruth Arnold of RAGS \$750 for sign designs. She had been asked to submit a cost estimate in December under emergency conditions, which she may now update. Another sign maker is also submitting a cost estimate for implementing the RAGS designs.

As per an October 2009 motion made by Herb Wiebe, seconded by Elaine Eisberg, and passed by a majority: the committee recommends to town council that, in order to avoid contributing to the proliferation and inconsistency of informational signs, all town sign projects be coordinated by the beautification committee, which will make recommendations to council.

3. Atlantic Avenue landscaping

No progress has been made to date. This issue will be discussed at the Council meeting on Feb. 18th.

4. At the March Council meeting, the committee will present its proposed projects for the

coming fiscal year, with prices if possible.

[Council has requested that members review all past planning documents – 2005 B-1 economic development plan, Sawyer B-1 plan, Parking report, Economic Development Committee reports, etc. (available on the website) – to assess which prior proposals have merit and could be addressed by the Beautification Committee. Other committees also requested to present reports are P&Z, SLAP, and Marketing.]

5. Next meeting date will be March 8 at 4 pm in Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Candace Clark