

GLEN COVE BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES JUNE 26, 2025

. Agenda Item	Details
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm Eastern Time –
Attendance: No Quorum	Commissioners: Lora Cusumano, Barbara Peebles, Aiden Van Ommeren Staff: Liz Mestres, Manny Grella City Liaison/Officials: Mike Ktistikis & Mayor Pam Panzenbeck Volunteers: Joanne Yee, Ellen Pantazakos, Jamie Greenberg Absent: Bob LaBaw, Eve Lupenko, Amy Franklin, Deana Perez, Cheryl Carmody, Coleen Spinello, Jacki Yonick
Financials	Financials for the month were distributed but will be reviewed with Treasurer at the next meeting.
Request	We need a commissioner to volunteer to be our secretary for future meeting minutes.
Update – Veolia Wastewater Facility Tour	Held on June 14 th with Veolia’s Customer Service Mgr Lauren Sternberg & Operations Mgr Dan Ryan. Tour was educational & well worth the time. Commissioners are looking to set a program up with 5 th graders in GCSD for tours.
Update – T-Shirts with “Where Beauty Grows”	Manny let us know that the final proof of artwork by Valley Trophy & Sports should be provided next week.
Update – Helpsy Event 4/19/25	Beautification received \$79.55 from the event & \$380 for 9X12 Needlepoint Carpet sold on Ebay. Ebay breakdown: Sold Price \$500 less transaction fee \$74.61 & shipping \$45.62 = \$379.77
Update – Pascucci Field	Several of us were at ribbon cutting last week at the field. The area we planted last fall requires mulch, weeding, and future plantings. There will be a new box made of railroad ties around scoreboard base. Weeding & planting are needed to Mike Solomita dedication monument area. NEW EVENT Scheduled for Beautification Commission (Volunteer Only) July 10 th at 5pm - to spread mulch. Bring your wheelbarrow, pitchforks, & rakes. RSVP to Lora
Update – Danis Park – Arbor Day Plantings	2 of the crepe myrtles are dying/dead. The nursery is giving two new replacements.
Update – Austral Park	Playground equipment installed. Box surround and mulch will be completed in next couple of weeks.
Update – Connolly School Pumpkin Patch	The school took care of garden beds. Students grew pumpkin seeds, but they died before they were able to be planted. Lora to reach out to Cheryl can help to find out if teachers would like us to assist with anything else on this project.
Update – SYEP Green Teams- Creek Clean Up	Jacki was not present at tonight’s meeting, but told Lora via email that she will be setting up a proposed meeting 7/14 and a clean-up on 8/1.
Update – Mill Hill Mural	Mill Hill wall is power washed. Georgina (student artist) is creating some colored drawings for us to review. Once art is finalized, Lora & Jacki will order materials, gather volunteer -artists, & select date for painting.

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Review GC Neighborhood Beautification & Awareness Program Draft #1	We had some discussion about the initial draft. Commissioners are asked to submit their ideas and suggestions through email this summer. If commissioners want to move forward with this, project will be developed during the fall months to unveil in Spring 2026.
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Square Beautification Signs for Trash & Dog Poop Stations- we need a pic of the station set up on East Island. Also brought up issue: GC Library grass area/residents with dogs in RXR building. There is a need for dog poop stations in that area and let RXR mgmt send out email to residents about cleaning up after your dogs. b) Review of the Adopt-A-Spot Program (Lora & Liz worked on this at end of meeting) c) Video Project w GCHS students – Lora setting up meeting with GCHS’s Mr. Nadel, Ms. Lasser, & Mr. Barry to propose a video program for our commission. Students will receive volunteer credit for filming/editing events and how to videos that the commission can use on social media & on the school tv channel. d) Continue Discussion on organizing early Fall Fundraiser. Proposed date Sept. 17 6-8pm possibly at Angler’s Club. Pick a project to raise money. Find sponsorship. Commission will need volunteer to head this Fundraiser Committee.
Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 6:25pm