

**GLEN COVE BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES- APRIL 23, 2026**

Call to Order	The meeting was held at 5:15pm Eastern Time – via in person meeting at City Hall 2 nd FI Conference Room.
Attendance:	Board Members: Lora Cusumano, Robert LaBaw, Jacki Yonick, Amy Franklin, Gigi Ferrante, Barbara Peebles, Deanna Perez, Mike Ktistakis, Coleen Spinello, Cheryl Carmody, Alexandra Ramsaran Staff & Volunteers: Mayor Pam Panzenbeck, Donna McNaughton, Mike Yeosock, Diane Beecher, Teri Moschetta, Eileen Coles
Approve Minutes	Review and make a motion to accept meeting minutes from 3/26/26 Board Meetings Motion to Accept made by Barbara Peebles. Second by Amy Franklin. Minutes approved.
Financials	Financials review by treasurer for approval of board. Motion to accept the financials dated from April 17th made by Mike Ktistakis. Second by Cheryl Carmody. Financials approved.
Project Updates	Demmler- Head of the Creek -Manny reported that the steel is ordered and once it arrives the next phase can begin. GC Train Station Project- Lora met with Roland and Tony to get a list of plants for the project. Manny and Liz got quotes for plant costs from the vendors used by the city as the plants can not be purchased directly from the landscaper. There was a discussion over the parameters of adopt a spot signage, and whether a sign could be placed at this spot. Further discussion to be held to decide how to proceed. Adopt A-Spot GC Court Community Service- Lora reported that the court placed two volunteers with Spyro. In the future a possibility to place volunteers at spots to help with weeding. GC Beautification & Neighborhood Awareness Program – Tentative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Earth Day Clean Up 4/22 3-Shore Road/The Blvd with SRNs & SC Beautification- twelve people from Glen Cove and Sea Cliff helped with the clean up and a lot of trash was removed.

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- Thompson Park with Boy Scouts- Teri and Diane had a successful clean up with 5 boy scouts volunteering along with the Glavianos.

Earth Day Event – 4/25 9am-12pm Morgan Park Postponed due to rain. New date will be May 16, 2026.

Arbor Day Event – 5/2 9am-12pm Morgan -10 saplings were donated by Carla Anastasio to be handed out at the event.

Spring Fundraiser & Gazebo in Pratt Park May 14th - Barbara updated everyone on the progress for the Spring Fundraiser. She shared that Roxy from the paper has been very supportive, and encouraged everyone to sign up and spread the word. The event may expand onto the patio of the Metropolitan. Lora shared the video created by volunteer Anthony DeLuca. The video highlights the gazebo project, and will be shared to social media.

Eco Carnival–5/14 w/ Rain Date 5/21 -Jacki/Cheryl will be able to use the lesson from last year as the event was rained out in 2025. They will teach students at the elementary schools about the life cycle of plants and each student will plant their own seed in a cup of soil.

Great American Clean Up – 5/16 – We will need a new date as the Earth day event is now to be held on 5/16.

Grants – PSEG LI Community Thrive - Project Ideas. We will need to make a list of ideas for future projects.

School Events with Veolia & Winters Brothers – Cheryl has not heard back so events will be pushed to the fall,

Scholarship Fund – Joanne, Carla were not able to be at the meeting, but a discussion was held to decide if the scholarship should be granted this year, or wait until next year. A **motion** was made by Cheryl Carmody to grant one this year. Motion was approved. Scholarship committee is Joanne Yee, Carla Anastasio, & Eve Lupenko

Greenhouse Update- Jacki/Mike

Certificate of Recognition for Beautification Efforts or Litter Prevention & Environmental Stewardship - Lora made a beautiful certificate which she shared with the group.

Update Bylaws- Barbara tabled this until after the fundraiser.

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	Re-World Waste Management Tour – Confirmed July 1 st at 1-2:30pm
Need Dates for Other Upcoming Events	Add other Clean Ups for June, July, or Aug ? ICC Beach Clean-Up 9/19 Tulip Planting -10/3 or 10/10 Planting of Mums ? December Holiday Décor ? Chip-A-Tree 1/9
Ideas for Future	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Crescent Beach – Mural -Eileen Coles was present for the meeting. Possible location for the mural is the wall behind the beach. Jacki brought up a concern with the sand being an issue with the paint, and perhaps stencils and spray paint could be used. Eileen added that she would like to recognize Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, Legislator, for her work to reopen the beach. Further discussion will be held at the next meeting. 2. Cornell Cooperative Bulb Plantings 3. Mural on Train Tressel (Rt 107) or other locations 4. Storm Drain Emblems 5. House & Garden Tours or Plant Sale to raise money
Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm

Commission Meetings *fourth Thursday of the month, 5:15pm start time, at City Hall, unless otherwise noted.
~~1/22, 2/26, 3/26, 4/23~~, 5/28, 6/25, 8/27, 9/24, 10/22, 11/19, 12/17(Holiday Party), 1/9/27 Chip-A-Tree