

Minutes of Beautification Meeting

Feb. 12, 2019

In attendance: Eileen, Bill, Michelle, Jeanie and Ryan – ex officio

Eileen appointed Lynn O'Shea as a new member of the committee. All members approved.

The committee reviewed the eligible façade grant applications that have come in for the 2018 fiscal year.

1. Chiro Plus Family Health & Wellness submitted an application for a new awning with signage on the awning. Signage is not an allowable expense under the guidelines of the grant. It was determined that \$275 of the total cost was for the graphics and that will be deducted from the eligible expenses per the ordinance. The work is complete and copies of paid receipts were attached. Total for the project was \$2,500.00 -\$275 for a total amount applied for of \$2,225.00
2. Roy's Place submitted an application and a subsequent revision based on conversations with committee member Bill Swalwell. The scope of this project includes replacing 3 windows for a total of \$2955.00 This portion is complete and paid receipts are included. Additional work includes replacing 3 awnings on the front part of the former tax assessor's office for \$3900.00, two sets of windows for \$4868, a new door for \$1050.00, and garage doors to be replaced for \$2,550.00 for a total amount applied for of \$15,323.75
3. Harvest Real Estate proposed to replace 5 windows with trim, repair and repaint porch and steps on the front of the structure, replace garage roof. Total for this project is \$9,082.00
4. Peterson Fuel submitted an application for the removal of the awning and restore brick on the front of the building for a total grant request of \$4,500.00
5. Copper Barrel application covers extensive brick work, masonry, new exterior windows, garage door and elevation work for a total of 60, 318.42 of which 1,938.84 is for the signage and an additional \$200 for graphics work to be deducted for a total of \$58,179.58

Grand total for all eligible expenses within the 5 grant applications is \$89,310.93

Michelle recused herself during the discussion of how to apply the grant money to the applicants so as to avoid a conflict of interest for Copper Barrel.

Remaining members of the committee were in favor of awarding the maximum amount allowable of 75% for each grant. The total funds needed to cover these grants would be \$66,983.12.

Ryan suggested the committee look at coming up with a metric for future grant apps that would take into consideration the total impact of a project and how visible the property is relative to the downtown where high impact highly visible projects would receive larger percentages that lower impact, less visible projects.

Bill made a motion to approve the 5 grants at 75%. Jeanie seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion approved and the apps will move on to the BDC for review on Feb. 13, 2019. If approval is granted, the apps will move on to the Village Board for final approval.

Next meeting will likely be the first week of March with a goal of preparing a one to five-year plan for streetscape improvements.