Southport Neighbors Association
Beautification Committee
November 27, 2017, 7pm
Grassroots (3747 N Southport)

Present: Chloe Milstein (chair), David Genc, Jill Peters, Abby Sullivan
Absent: Sarah Nelson, Heather Kitzes, Brendan Power

Call to Order
Chloe Milstein called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

Approval of Minutes
Chloe Milstein motioned to approve the Beautification Committee meeting minutes from October 23, 2017, seconded by David Genc, motion carries.

Neighborhood Cleanup
- The Committee discussed that the November 18 neighborhood cleanup was cancelled due to inclement weather.
- Chloe Milstein suggested calendaring neighborhood clean-up dates for the spring. Committee members discussed whether the clean-up should be for the entire neighborhood, or a certain street. Committee members agreed to start with a specific street to see what turn-out is like before expanding.
- Abby Sullivan suggested having the first clean-up be on the day following Saint Patrick’s day, and to have an inclement weather date for the week after. The Committee decided to have the first spring clean-up on March 18 at 9 AM on Waveland from Clark to Ashland, with an inclement weather date on March 25.
- It was discussed that prior to the clean-up the Committee should reach out to Lakeview High School to see if students need service hours.
- ACTION: None until next year.

SSA 27 Collaboration
- Chloe Milstein updated the Committee on the meeting she and Brendan Power had with Dillon Goodson from the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce, including possible collaboration on a mural for the CVS wall and hanging baskets on Southport.
- CVS Mural: Chloe reported that discussions on the CVS mural centered on, in return for SNA funding a portion of the mural, SNA members being able to vote on (i) the muralist from a mutually-agreed upon list of artists, and (ii) the mural’s theme from a mutually-developed list of themes. The Committee members discussed the logistics for the mural, including the need to get approval from both CVS and the building owner; Chloe reported that the Chamber would take the lead for logistics.
- Hanging Baskets: Chloe reported that the Chamber is willing to include the baskets in the landscaping budget if SNA funds their installation, and that
Dillon is currently investigating the costs of installation. Committee members discussed possible fundraising from neighbors and businesses to assist with costs associated with the hanging baskets, and the desire to coordinate with West Lakeview Neighbors to have baskets installed South of Addison if the project is moved forward with.

- Committee members agreed that Dillon Goodson should be invited to the next Beautification Committee meeting to engage in more extensive discussions on potential collaboration.
- **ACTION:** Chloe will invite Dillon to the next Beautification Committee meeting.

**Neighborhood Surveys Project**

- David Genc provided the Committee with an update on the neighborhood surveys, in that he will undertake creating the survey for use in identifying road/sidewalk/tree/lights/etc. conditions to be submitted to the alderman for use in prioritizing work for next year over the winter season.
- **ACTION:** David will draft the neighborhood survey for committee review.

**Holiday Decorations on Southport/Festive Block Competition**

- Chloe Milstein updated the Committee on the discussions she and Brendan Powers had had with Dillon on what holiday decorations would be on Southport, and possible avenues for collaboration. The Committee decided they would review the Southport holiday decorations this year in order to give better feedback.
- Chloe Milstein proposed delaying the Festive Block competition until next year to provide more time to prepare. The Committee agreed with this approach.
- **ACTION:** Committee members are to take note of holiday decorations on Southport.

**New Business – Tree Recycling**

- Jill Peters proposed having the neighborhood assist Alderman Tunney with his annual tree recycling event.
- **ACTION:** Jill will contact Alderman Tunney and see how we can be of assistance and report back.

**New Business – Clean & Green Day**

- Abby Sullivan proposed that we look into the city’s Clean & Green Day and coordinate activities in the neighborhood related to it.
- **ACTION:** Brainstorm what type of clean-up we would like to coordinate for that day.

**Next Meeting Date:** Monday, January 29 @ 7pm