

AGENDA
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING

September 16, 2026 - 5:30 PM
Village Hall - Room 101
300 Plaza Circle, Mundelein, IL 60060

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ATTENDANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENTARY

IV. MINUTES APPROVAL

A. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the Beautification Committee Minutes from August 19, 2026.

V. MUNDELEIN ARTS COMMISSION REPORT

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. PROJECTS

A. Gardens

B. Bird City

C. Excellence in Gardening Awards

D. Community Events

1. Farmer's Market butterfly release

2. District 75 Brat Fest - October 9, 2026

3. Lure of the Local - October 16, 2026 Opening - Theme "Love Letters" and exhibit with photographer Susan Fink

4. Santa's Cottage and Tree Lighting - December 5, 2026

5. Spring Into Summer 2027 - Saturday, May 29, 2027

E. Clean Up Events

1. Bike Path along Route 176 in July before the Bike Race - Done

2. North Shore Bike Path near Carmel / Brice

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Open Meetings Act, FOIA, Quorums, Absence Notification

B. Volunteers

C. Budget

D. Native Plant to Promote

E. Projects for 2026-2027

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. OTHER BUSINESS

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A. Adjourn the Beautification Committee Meeting

Motion to adjourn the Beautification Committee Meeting.

XII. NEXT MEETING - OCTOBER 21, 2026

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CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Beautification Committee was held on August 19, 2026. Chairperson Ross called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

ATTENDANCE

Lynne Monroe took the roll call. It indicated as follows:

Committee Attendance

PRESENT: Committee Member Nunez, Vice-Chair Tancredi, Committee Member Mitchell, Committee Member Jankowski Jr., Chair Ross, Committee Member Waters

ABSENT: Committee Member Tierney

Other Attendance:

PRESENT: Chris Woodard, Mundelein Arts Commission Liason and Lynne Monroe, Deputy Village Administrator

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Chris Woodard expressed her gratitude to the Committee for bringing Monarch awareness to the community.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the Beautification Committee Minutes from July 15, 2026.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Committee Member Jill Mitchell
SECONDER:	Committee Member Colleen Tancredi
AYES:	Kim Nunez, Colleen Tancredi, Jill Mitchell, Chester Jankowski Jr., Jenny Ross, Michael Waters
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

MUNDELEIN ARTS COMMISSION REPORT

Chris Woodard reported on several MAC initiatives including:

- Shakespeare Shorts and Kirk Players partnership
- Upcoming first 'smural' installation
- MCC Arts Festival in September
- Lure of the Local with October 16 opening night
- Art Pantries goal aligned with Lure opening, with planting needed next spring.
- Collaborative STAR project with MAC and the Beautification Committee to be

ready for ribbon cutting this fall

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Ross reported on a SWALCO household waste collection event scheduled for 9/29. Appointments are required.

PROJECTS

Gardens

Member Jankowski provided an update on the village gardens. He suggests the committee plan a time for weeding. Member Jankowski thanked Vice-Chair Tancredi for filling the new pots.

Bird City

Member Mitchell will work on an article for the newsletter to meet Bird City requirements. Lynne noted the Mayoral Proclamation for World Migratory Bird Day would be presented at the next Village Board meeting.

Excellence In Gardening Awards

The members discussed options to get the word out about the awards or reconsidering the program for next year, as the response has been low this season with less than 25 nominated yards.

Community Events

Farmer's Market butterfly release - reschedule?

The official release is still to be determined. Member Mitchell suggested waiting until September, when there will be more butterflies.

District 75 Tiger Truck Fest - October 2, 2026

Chair Ross noted this event is being held at Mechanics Grove and table shifts will be necessary.

Lure of the Local - October 16, 2026 Opening - Theme "Love Letters"

Chair Ross offered an idea for a bird wildlife photography exhibit for the Lure. Chris Woodard noted exhibit space would need to be secured through Stacy on the Mundelein Arts Commission.

Santa's Cottage and Tree Lighting - December 5, 2026

Chair Ross asked the committee to think of ideas for a giveaway to be in Santa's Cottage bags and also an activity for the Tree Lighting event.

Spring into Summer 2027 - Saturday, May 29, 2027

Chair Ross has reserved Tighthead for next year's event to be held May 29.

Clean Up Events

General cleanup ideas were discussed.

Chair Ross suggested the alleys, and recommended that newsletters spotlight residents who take the initiative with clean-up efforts — adopting their own areas. Spotlighting those who beautify the Village may encourage others. Vice-Chair Tancredi suggested the committee provide a vest and T-shirt to those residents.

Member Waters suggested the committee select dates to commit to clean-up.

November 7 was selected for after Halloween clean up near Public Works. October 3 was selected for gardening maintenance (with an October 10 rain date).

Lynne will order garbage pickers selected by the committee to keep a supply on-hand.

Bike Path along Route 176 in July before the Bike Race

The Bike Path clean up was successful as reported by Member Nunez.

North Shore Bike Path near Carmel / Brice

No report

OLD BUSINESS

Budget

Vice-Chair Tancredi reported the committee has \$6000 to spend for the budget year.

Lynne will inquire about the cost of Bird City Signs — possibly at Village entrances.

Member Jankowski noted \$1000 could be spent for new plantings.

Chair Ross suggested a small mural and for members to consider areas in the Village.

Native Plant to Promote

This topic was tabled.

Projects for 2026-2027

New projects were discussed in budget topic, including replacing Callery pears at Village

hall and a small mural.

NEW BUSINESS

Plant Exchange - Resident suggestion

Chair Ross presented the idea of a plant exchange for the next Spring into Summer event.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn the Beautification Committee Meeting

Motion to adjourn the Beautification Committee Meeting.

RESULT: **Passed [Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0]**

MOVER: Committee Member Jill Mitchell

SECONDER: Committee Member Chester Jankowski Jr.

AYES: Kim Nunez, Colleen Tancredi, Jill Mitchell, Chester Jankowski Jr., Jenny Ross, Michael Waters

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Jenny Ross, Chairman

NEXT MEETING - SEPTEMBER 16, 2026