Draft minutes of the Beautification Committee meeting held on second Tuesday the 14 March 2017 at Chatsworth Train Depot, 10040 Old Depot Plaza Road, Chatsworth, CA 91311.

Kamesh, Jeff, Vicki, Anna

Vicki motions to approve minutes. Kamesh second. Minutes approved.

Previous projects:

FWY

Jeff – De Soto exit - determined that right of ways are privately owned, so we only have to approach LA City/County. Recommend the same at Topanga exit. Need to have the arteries that go through the neighborhood look better. Topanga/Nordhoff, De Soto/Nordhoff.

Olive Trees – Jeff – will get bids by the same one as before.

Vicki – If we have extra $, have them spray “round up” around the trees so the grass doesn’t grow.

Jeff – will get prices by the 1st week of May. Recommends doing the trimming after the next rain.

Lawrence School Hiring at Local Level

Brett Smiley – Please support Lawrence Middle School hiring at local level, rather than through LAUSD. Discussion about what a charter school is: start up charter, conversion starter, affiliated charter is still part of LAUSD and still get funding. Other’s funding is independent of LAUSD.

Lawrence is not a charter school. Much of the staff and faculty will be retiring soon, and will need to be replaced. Teachers voted 56-1 in favor, staff 46-3 in favor. They are asking to be able to have a say in who is hired.

Kamesh doesn’t participate, as he works at Lawrence.

Vicki MOTIONS to approve support Lawrence Hiring. Jeff seconds motion. MOTION PASSES.

Minutes will be forwarded to teacher@smiley.org
Jeff – would like to work on more smaller projects. Trees on Mason need some maintenance.

Kamesh – how about we make a sign for the trees to give credit to CNC for taking care of them.

Vicki/Jeff – vandals might destroy the plaques.

Jeff - request that concrete barricades be placed on Lurline due to drug deals in that area. Neighbors are supportive. Will e-mail Ron Rubin.

Jeff – at June board meeting there was a discussion about getting sidewalks repaired in Chatsworth... for the City to repair the sidewalks. And if we are denied, we can use next year’s budget to fix them. On Devonshire.

Food Trucks – When they came on Tuesdays, it was not very popular.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.