



Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission Meeting Minutes - April 15, 2026 at 7:00 PM

Location: Tompkins Community Center

Call to Order: Lisa Kyle, Chairman of the Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission, called the meeting to order at 7:08pm.

Roll Call/Attendance:

- Present: Lisa Kyle, Kelly Konieczki, Anne Billiu, Chris Danel, Pat Deck, Shellie Hansen, Lindsey Studders and Lindsey Winn.
- Excused: Jim Creighton, Cheryl Gauss, Armen Gulian and Barbara Miller.
- City Council Member: Brent Dreaver
- City Liaison: Tom Jenny (excused)
- Guests: Brad Lindberg

Approval of Minutes: March 4, 2026

Anne Billiu moved to approve the minutes, and Pat Deck seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by consensus.

Chairman's Comments:

Lisa Kyle let the commission know that approximately one hundred (100) daffodil bulbs were planted at Windmill Pointe Park by commission volunteers: Lisa Kyle, Kelly Konieczki, Barbara Miller and Lindsey Winn.

Financial Report:

Brent Dreaver forwarded an updated financial report to Lisa Kyle which she shared with the commission of expenses. There are a few more receipts to be turned in.

Correspondence: NONE

Public Comment: NONE

Promotion & Community Engagement:

Lisa Kyle let the commission know that there was an article in the GP News About the spotted lanternfly.

Lisa Kyle is checking to see when the next issue of the Park Scene will be available at City Hall and the Lavins Activity Center. It was noticed that the last issue did not list the Beautification Awards or the Holiday Awards.

New Business:

A. Arbor Week - Pat Deck:

Pat Deck let the commission know that the City received three hundred (300) seedlings. Two hundred (200) were wrapped and one hundred (100) were unwrapped. Shellie Hansen will bag the seedlings for Pat Deck to deliver to the participating classrooms.

Pat let the commission know that participation was 95% this year for the poster contest. There were 157 posters passed out and 149 posters turned in. Commissioners will judge the posters at the end of this meeting. The winners will be recognized by the Mayor at the May City Council meeting.

B. Spring Plant Exchange:

Lisa Kyle asked the commission volunteers to arrive on May 2, 2026 at 8:30 – 9:00am at the Tompkins Center.

Forestry Report - Tom Jenny:

A. Fall Tree Sale:

Lisa Kyle reported that she will work with the Forester to hold a Fall tree sale. The commission can discuss details at the May and June meetings.

B. Spotted Lanternfly Update - Kelly Konieczki:

Kelly Konieczki let the commission know that she has updated the photos of the spotted lanternfly on the city website. She also has some brochures if anyone would like one.

Sustainability Committee Reports:

Anne Billiu let the commission know that her group is taking out the rose bushes by the Patterson flagpole bed. They are being replaced with lavender and other perennials, including some native plants.

Old Business:

A. Bylaws update:

Jim Creighton emailed an suggested update of revision of the bylaws. The committee will be working of this and have a report for the May meeting.

BCSEM & KMB Report - Pat Deck:

Pat Deck let the commission know that the meeting was just fantastic. Carolyn Clifford was the MC for the meeting. There were two speakers for the event. Six (6) commissioners attended.

Pat also let the commission know that she is still looking for a speaker for the December BCSEM & KMB quarterly meeting.

Additions to the Agenda: NONE

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm. The Poster judging will be held directly after. The motion was first made by Chris Danel and seconded by Anne Billiu. The adjournment was approved by consensus.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Shellie Hansen, Recording Secretary of the Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission.

