Litchfield Beautification Commission

Minutes October 28, 2016, 2:00pm,

Litchfield Community Center.

In attendance: In attendance: Anna Heys, Betty Eisenhaure, Margy Miner, Cindy Swope Absent: Ruth Erickson

Minutes from previous meeting were read and approved.

Anna presented the current donation amount: $15,550.

Cindy will send Geoff and Ben Fitzgerald the updated spreadsheet of donations.

Raz Alexe has not sent the island project out to bid. Because the Commission would like to seek a matching

grant from the Seherr-Thoss Foundation, due March 1, 2017, Anna is going to discuss with Raz the importance of

the Commission having a bid by early 2017 to pursue the grant. All members are in favor of applying for the grant.

Meadow Street residents have not expressed in interest in replanting areas that had trees and shrubs removed for the sidewalk paving, per Lee Losee. There was concern by the Commission members that there is not enough space between the sidewalk and curb to plant. The consensus was to leave it is for now.

The traffic island at the intersection of 202 and 63 was discussed as another area that is in need of attention. Shrubs need to be pruned, lilies weeded, etc. It is not known who mows the island or if it’s the town’s property or the state’s.

Last year the Litchfield Area Business Association was given $300 for holiday decorations. It was agreed to fund

LABA at the same level for 2016.

After Thanksgiving, the Commission will redo the Town Hall planters and use existing greens from members’ yards.

New members were discussed for the Commission and it was decided to ask Tony FitzGerald if he would like to join.

Unless there is pressing business, the Commission will not meet in November.