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CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Chairperson Jeanine Offer Krupp, Co- Chairperson Laura Murphy, Secretary Sue Butala
***Members:* Tammy Byers, Jessica Clauser, Julia Johnson, Sandra Montes, Rachel Williams, Tracy Gottschalk**
City Council Liaison: Debbie Jones
Student Liaisons: Emma Loosvelt, Natalie Sapp

400 Sixth Street	**May 14, 2025**	**7:00 pm**

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm. Members present – Sue Butala, Julia Johnson, Jeanine Offer Krupp, Sandy Montes, Laura Murphy, Tracy Gottschalk Others present: Nik Banda, Colin Petit, Emma Loosvelt
2. Motion to approve minutes from April 2025 was unanimously approved, with the correction to add Sandy Montes as being present.
3. Miscellaneous:

    a. The community garden needs weeding. Consider discussing a prescribed burn with the fire department
    b. Waiting for Dinosaur Hill funds to be used for updates in the children's room and on the outside paths.
    c. Designs are being reviewed for the skate park. The goal is to start construction in August. It will take at least two months to build it.
    d. Beginning to receive new requests for benches.
    e. Capital improvements this year will include the parking lot near the sun dial.
    f. Work on the bridge on the Paint Creek Trail is likely delayed due to a rule that required trees cannot be removed until October in case endangered species are living in them.
    g. Tuesday April 22, 2025, the mother tree was planted in the mini-forest. It was a well-attended event.
    h. CBC members weeded the sun garden between the pond and the creek in the Municipal Park. They also weeded the main street bridge garden. Need to determine if work needs to be done near the drive across bridge, which is near the Community House.

4. Goals and Objectives
    a. Elbow Gardens near the planned skate park will have the adopt a garden/maintenance signage paid for by the bench fund.
    b. The amplifier project is being done as an Eagle Scout project. The potential Eagle Scout would like to be a part of the planning process.
    c. The raised bed sensory garden near the All Abilities Playground can start in July. Emma prepared a lit of potential plants for us to review.
    d. Discuss a map with QR code designating sites around Rochester with Jason Werner.
5. Next meeting is June 11
6. Meeting adjourned at 8:06