

**CITY OF GAHANNA
LANDSCAPE BOARD MEETING
MINUTES – March 5, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER:

Melissa Hyde Chair, called the Landscape Board meeting to order on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 6:01 p.m. at Gahanna City Hall.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jane Allinder
Mark DiGiando
Melissa Hyde
Ken Shepherd
Matt Winger – arrived 6:03

In attendance from the City Administration was Tony Collins, Director Department of Parks & Recreation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Shepherd made a **MOTION** to approve the organizational meeting minutes from January 8, 2014; seconded by DiGiando. **On roll call vote:** DiGiando, yes, Hyde, yes, Shepherd, yes, and Allinder, yes. **Motion carried 4-0**

Shepherd made a **MOTION** to approve the regular meeting minutes from January 8, 2014; seconded by Allinder. **On roll call vote:** Allinder, yes, Shepherd, yes, Hyde, yes, Winger, yes, and DiGiando, yes. **Motion carried 5-0**

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

HEARING OF VISITORS

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Landscape Plan - Lincoln Elementary School

Collins introduced Shannon Barnette, Recreation Coordinator at Ohio Herb Education Center. Barnette explained that the Gahanna Learning Gardens are an outreach program lead by the Ohio Herb Education Center and the Gahanna Jefferson Public Schools. The first Gahanna Learning Garden site is at Lincoln Elementary School surrounding the Olde Schoolhouse that

was reconstructed. The garden can provide an opportunity for a living, and breathing historical experience for students, visitors and participants.

Four designs were submitted for review. The goal is for the children to pick their favorite design. Major construction will be completed by Eagle Scouts and volunteers using recycled materials. Students will be given the opportunity to be involved in choosing plants and planting.

Students, volunteers and Herb Center staff will be responsible for upkeep of the garden. School maintenance staff will maintain the grass. Herbs will be harvested and utilized, with the hope to sell the herbs to be self sustaining.

Funding for the program will be dependent on grants and community support. The program has already received \$500 from the Gahanna Education Foundation. Grant applications are continually being submitted. The Gahanna Historical Society and other community members have offered donations of plants.

No action is needed from the Board.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Nothing at this time

POLL MEMBERS FOR COMMENT:

Nothing at this time

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

The Landscape Board meeting adjourned at 6:22pm.

Submitted by,

Pam Ripley, Administrative Assistant

Approved this _____ day of _____ 2014

Melissa Hyde, Chair