

**CITY OF GRANTVILLE
BEAUTIFICATION BOARD AGENDA
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2024 AT 10:00 A.M.**

**Glanton Municipal Complex, City Council Chambers, 123 Lagrange Street, Grantville,
Georgia 30220**

CALL TO ORDER

DECISION ON ELECTION OF CHAIR

DECISION ON ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

DECISION ON ELECTION OF SECRETARY

NEW BUSINESS:

DECISION ON CALENDAR OF REGULAR MEETINGS FOR 2024

DISCUSSION ON RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD AND UPCOMING EVENTS

ADJOURNMENT

2024-01

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF GRANTVILLE TO ESTABLISH A BEAUTIFICATION BOARD; TO PROVIDE FOR THE BOARD'S POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES; TO ESTABLISH THE NUMBER OF BOARD MEMEBERS, THEIR TERMS APPOINTMENT PROCESS AND COMPENSATION; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council are authorized pursuant to state law to offer and provide parks and open spaces for the residents of the City of Grantville; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to provide a means for citizen input into the City's beautification efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that the appropriate means of accomplishing that purpose is to establish a Beautification Board for the City of Grantville,

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the City of Grantville, Georgia as follows:

The Code of Ordinances of the City of Grantville is hereby amended by adding a new Article X to Chapter 2-Adminstration entitled "Beautification Board" as follows:

Sec. 2-200- Beautification Board

- (a) *Creation and Designation.* There is hereby created the City of Grantville Beautification Board, hereinafter referred to as the "board."
- (b) *Appropriations.* The city council may appropriate such funds from the general fund as it deems necessary for the reasonable and necessary expenses of the board.
- (c) *Powers and responsibilities.* The board shall have the following powers and responsibilities:
 - (1) Create committees and subcommittees composed entirely of members of the board, or composed of members of the board together with nonmember citizens of the City of Grantville selected by the board.

- (2) Plan and conduct a City of Grantville Beautification Awards program for businesses located in the City of Grantville. The board may also charge and collect an administrative fee to participate in the program.
- (3) Plan and conduct programs to recognize those homeowners or businesses that have shown significant initiative in beautifying their properties and to report any eyesore property (business or home) to the City of Grantville for action if deemed appropriate.
- (4) At the request of the Parks and Recreation director, the board may assist in the City of Grantville park revitalization programs.
- (5) Designate and plan specific sites and extended areas, primarily under governmental ownership or control, for the beautification of major roadway systems, median islands and entranceways throughout the city.
- (6) Review the designs for establishment of small parks or rest areas at street intersections.
- (7) Recommend revisions of the street tree ordinance, specifying tree types, installation standards, spacing dimensions, and other related matters for the implantation of decorative trees in all areas to be developed within the City in both residential and commercial areas.
- (8) Recommend an annual program by the City for the placement of street trees in all areas deficient in such improvements.
- (9) Recommend landscaping standards for publicly controlled landscaping associated with commercial and industrial development.
- (10) Recommend replacement landscaping, planting and maintenance standards for all of the landscape maintenance districts within the City of Grantville
- (11) Review and provide comment on proposals for the installation of street furnishing and accessories, lights, ornamental fixtures, monuments, fountains, or other forms of furnishing of an aesthetic nature as to location, design and cost.
- (12) Analyze and recommend the application for and utilization of programs wherein financial grants or personal services may be applicable and available to support the beautification effort of the City.
- (13) As requested by Council, propose and recommend a master plan for Grantville beautification with detailed standards for aspects of city beautification.
- (14) Organize, publicize and participate in annual city-wide activities and events, such as Earth Day, Make A Difference Day and Arbor Day, and present beautification awards to enhance city aesthetics.
- (15) Support the goals and priorities adopted by the City Council.

Sec. 2-201. - Membership.

- (a) The board shall be composed of 5 members who shall be appointed by the city council.
- (b) Members of the board shall be appointed and serve as follows: The city council shall appoint 5 members to serve for a term of two years, or until their successors shall be

appointed. No person shall be eligible to serve on the board who is not a resident of the City of Grantville.

- (c) Vacancies on the board shall be filled by appointment in the same manner and upon the same conditions provided for initial members. Appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired term. An appointee shall cease to be a member upon resignation submit to the city council, upon no longer being a resident of the City of Grantville, or upon two-thirds vote of the board for failure to attend meetings.
- (d) The members of the board shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for the reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of their duties, provided, however, such expenses shall be limited to such amounts as may be appropriated by the city council.

Sec. 2-202- Organization and meetings.

- (a) The Beautification Board shall hold regular meetings at such time and place within the city as it may determine; provided, however, that the board shall hold at least one meeting every 90 days.
- (b) At the first meeting of the board, the members shall elect one of its number as the chairman/vice-chairman and one of its number as secretary. The board shall have the discretion to split the duties of secretary between a recording secretary and a corresponding secretary. Thereafter, the board shall annually elect from among its number a chairman/vice-chairman and secretary or secretaries and such other officers as it may from time to time determine necessary and appropriate for the conduct of board proceedings.
- (c) Vacancies in the office of chairman and secretary and in other offices as herein provided shall be filled by the board from among the membership of the board for the unexpired term.
- (d) The chairman of the board or any two members of the board may call a meeting at any time.
- (e) The chairman and any two members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business at all regular or special meetings.
- (f) A thorough record of all meetings of the board shall be kept by the secretary. On the call of any member, the vote upon any pending question shall be taken by ayes and nays and the same shall be entered on the record.

(g) The board shall be subject to the provisions of the Georgia Open Meetings Act (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 *et seq.*) and the Georgia Open Records Act (O.C.G.A. § 50-18-1 *et seq.*)


Secs. 2-203-2-210. Reserved.

First Reading: February 26, 2024

SO ORDAINED in lawfully assembled open session this 25 day of MARCH, 2024.



MAYOR

Attest: 

Clerk

