Beaverdale Beautification Committee Potluck 7/20/21

**Attended**: Nancy Dunbar, Terry Thielen, Toni Hayes, Sasha Kamper, John Waters, Marion Wissler, Linda Blair, Mary Lou Bradley, John Holtorf, Eugene Buckmiller, Jean Swanson

**Trees:** Nancy has suggested organizing a pruning party to prune a few of the trees in the median and streetscape that have low branches. She has contacted Shane McQuillen, city forester. Eugene will be unable to water the new trees for the near future due to a health concern. Nancy and Terry will collect the buckets from Eugene and take over watering 3 trees twice weekly. He also offered the use of his tractor/trailer for picking up branches.

**Flowers:** The city requested pictures of the flower beds that received flowers from the city this spring. Nancy took photos of each bed and sent them in as requested.

Urbandale Median: Construction has not started yet at 34th St.

**Streetscape:** Nepeta at the intersection could be cut back so it will bloom again. Fareway was given approval to plans for a new store at Beaver & Urbandale. The trees at the south end of the streetscape need pruning. Nancy suggested additions to the SMIDD RFP to Jay Kozel to include cutting back suckers on crab trees monthly and treating perennials weeds such as dandelions with appropriate weed killer as needed.

**Garden Walk:** approximately \$4000 was raised after expenses were paid. Mike Kamper will provide a full accounting of sales, sponsorships, and expenses. It was suggested that \$2000 be given to Beaverdale Fall Fest, \$1000 reserved for additional planters for the business area, \$500 be added to the tree fund, \$500 be reserved for the 2022 Beaverdale Garden Walk.

Next meeting: August 17th at 6:30, location TBD