

## **October 2024 Director's Report**

## **Bridge Park**

- Curbco installed the bollards in the south east corner of the parking lot at Bridge Park.
  This will prevent motorized vehicles from entering the concrete trail, as well as ensure handicap access to it.
- Food Truck Fridays concluded in late August. We will resume the program in 2025, with staff determining guidelines to make sure that vendors show up as well as stay for the entirety of the scheduled time.
- The annual fall cleanup up the Butterfly Garden at Bridge Park is scheduled for 10/14 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The Board of Directors scaled down the asphalt paving of the CYSC parking lot and will be reviewing revised bids at the October 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. The idea is to look at completing it in phases.

The "Meet the Board Member" series on social media is off to a great start and is getting a lot of engagement.

The open house is scheduled for October 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Light fall themed refreshments will be served, information packets and some small trinkets will be handed out, and an informational slide show will be highlighting the accomplishments of the BDA.

Bridge Park was submitted to the Michigan Downtown Association (MDA) for consideration to win a placemaking award. The winner will be announced at the annual meeting, November 7-8.

If you would like to attend the MDA annual meeting in Downtown Ann Arbor with BDA staff, please let us know.

BDA staff reached out to Clio City Manager Neil Rankin to discuss partnering with them to keep the bike path east of the Jennings Road parking lot to Field Road clear of snow. He noted that he will pass the information to the DPW Supervisor.

The BDA is partnering with Clio Area Rotary for their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scarecrow Invasion. This is a great way to bring attention to local businesses.