

**CENTERVILLE CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
MINUTES – JUNE 5, 2018
PUBLIC WORKS CENTER**

Call to order and Welcome

Present: Sue Jessee (Chair), Bill Abrams, Sherry Leighty, Allen Nelson, Jan Prettyman, Debbie Schmidt, JoAnne Rau (Council Liaison), Mary Lou Pence (Staff Liaison), Joe Presutti (Municipal Arborist).

Absent: Carol Adams

The May 1, 2018 minutes were approved as presented.

Old Business

- **Centerville's 50th Anniversary Celebration in 2018**
 - Big Rig Gig with CWPD on May 12th (nearly 1600 in attendance)
 - Memorial Day ceremony on May 28th (well attended, hot day, good speaker).
- **Recruiting new members**
 - Arlene Tansey resigned
 - Encouraged members to promote Commission – actively seek new members.
 - Sue may have 2 people interested.
- **Planting of Four Corners**
 - Good, but slightly rainy event. Gardens look great!
 - Big thanks to all who participated, especially Ruth Compton who worked with the Commission.
 - Reviewed maintenance schedule for members.
 - Sherry suggests pinching back all flowers before planting them to promote growth. She is willing to train members and Staff.
 - Staff looking at options for adding a refuse container at Four Corners
 - Also will speak with store managers about emptying containers more regularly.

New Business

- **Centerville's 50th Anniversary Celebration in 2018 – upcoming events**
 - Centerville day at the Dayton Dragons – Sunday, June 10th.
 - 50th party at summer concert on Sunday, July 22nd
 - 60's music and birthday cake
 - Mystery Night Out on Tuesday, August 7th.
- **Tree City USA luncheon planning**
 - Sub-committee to meet Friday, June 15th at 2 PM
 - Wendi VanBuren will be in attendance.
 - Confirmed speaker from OHIO811 (dba O.U.P.S.)
- **Summer Landscape awards**
 - Members received their packets, award rocks, and signs.

- As Arlene resigned it was agreed that Sherry and Allen would cover 2 zones – Zone 4 and 6.
 - Will consider asking past members to assist with summer landscape awards.
- Please provide award information to MLP by the 1st of the month (July, August, and September).
- Provide input via and e-mail blast to all members on Community Pride nominees each month. All members are encouraged to check out all nominees and provide input to Sue by the 20th of the month so an award can be determined.
- Mayor’s Award
 - Summary list has been drafted will addresses eligible for Mayor’s Award consideration.
 - There will be 2 Mayor’s Awards presented this year.
 - Members are encouraged to check these locations as they are out and about over the summer.
- Award rock vendor is retiring. Can consider getting 2019 rocks before they do so. Commission said ‘go for it’.

Urban Forestry Update: Mary Lou Pence and Joe Presutti

- Joe reported that Staff is mulching, cutting tree suckers, and applying Snapshot to beds all around the City.
- Removed the pear tree on north Main by Graeter’s as it was in decline/ had hollow core.
- Also shared the watering schedule for the over 200 trees planted in the past 2 years that will be watered this summer. Gator (water) bags will be placed shortly for kept filled through approximately Labor Day. Staff keeps all newly planted trees on a watering schedule for the first 2 year after it is planted.
- Staff reviewed the happenings at the Pocket Park saying that work was designed and is being performed in-house.
 - The basic design follows other bed designs City-wide – rocks, roses, barberry, and boxwood together with some color provided by annual flowers – as encouraged by City Council.
 - An irrigation system is being installed.
 - The bulk of the work is planned to be completed by Americana.

Council Liaison Remarks: Mrs. Rau

- No report

Good of the Order:

A motion was made to adjourn

Next CBC meeting: Tuesday, August 14, 2018, 7 PM at Public Works