

**CENTERVILLE CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
MINUTES – April 2, 2019
PUBLIC WORKS CENTER**

Call to order and welcome

Present: Sue Jessee (Chair), Mary Ann Kabel, Sherry Leighty, Mary Lou Pence (Staff Liaison), Jan Prettyman, JoAnne Rau (Council Liaison), Debbie Schmidt

Absent: Carol Adams, Sandy Katulak, Joe Presutti (Municipal Arborist)

Visitor: Margaret Mader

The March 5, 2019 minutes were approved with one addition. Sandy Katalak will be responsible for judging the Zone 7, Yankee Trace. Carol Adams will now judge Zone 6, Shawhan and Rose Estates and Mary Ann Kabel will judge Zone 3, Black Oak.

Old Business

- **Spring Seminar, “Shade Gardening,” Presented by Siebenthaler’s Wrap-Up**
 - Approximately 110 attendees
 - Seminar was well received. Comments from attendees – Loved the presentation!
 - Will appear on the Government Access channel
 - Currently on YouTube via the city’s website
 - Thank you notes sent to Siebenthaler’s
 - Sue Jessee will send thank you note to Centerville Florist

- **Status of Tree City Luncheon**
 - Overall plans are progressing
 - Favors
 - Centerpieces
 - Tree photos from various cities due by April 12. Wendi VanBuren will send an email to remind everyone to submit their photos and reservations.
 - Sue Jessee will contact Siebenthaler’s regarding a donation
 - Next work session will be Friday, April 5, 1 pm, at the Public Works Center

New Business

- Arbor Day, Wednesday, April 17, 11:00 a.m. at Benham’s Grove
 - Mayor, Brooks Compton, will MC the event
 - City Beautiful Commission members to wear Commission shirts
 - Centerville City Schools are testing this day so students may arrive after 11 a.m.

- Planting of Four Corners, Saturday, May 18, 10 am
 - Sherry Leighty requested a Public Works employee’s help with preparing the layout of the flowers before the Commission members arrive. Also requested an application of Preen and installing mulch in the flower beds. Mulch should be no more than 2” deep.
 - Debbie Schmidt will contact Graeter’s and City BBQ regarding complimentary food after planting is completed for those planting flowers.

Urban Forestry Update – presented by Mary Lou Pence on behalf of Joe Presutti

- Bradford Pear trees by Carriage Trace on Bigger Road were cut down to improve traffic site lines and allow more area for other tree's roots to grow.
- Oak Trees along Wilmington Pike were trimmed due to winter and ice storm damage
- The trees at Benham's Grove were trimmed and preparation for Arbor Day is underway
- Select trees in the medians around the city which were affected by the winter weather, the ice storm, and road salt will be replaced.

Council Liaison Remarks: JoAnne Rau

- Some members of Centerville Council visited Columbus, Ohio to view units that may be proposed at Cornerstone. The concept is geared towards 55+ aged population and feature one level units without stairs.

Good of the Order

- Volunteer Salute Dinner May 16, 6:00 p.m., at Yankee Trace
 - Save the date emails were sent, formal invitation to follow
- Mary Lou Pence will order City Beautiful Commission shirts for members.
- Citywide Garage Sale May 2, 3, and 4; clean-up will be the week of May 6
- Sue Jessee will be unable to attend the May 7 Commission meeting. Debbie Schmidt will lead the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm. Minutes submitted by Debbie Schmidt.

Next Meeting
TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2019, 7:00 p.m.
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