

Centerville City Beautiful Commission

Minutes January 13, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM

Present: Jan Prettyman, Allen Nelson, Karen Beal, Sherry Leighty, Bill Abrams, Judi Hetzer, Yvonne Jacobson, Debbie Schmidt, JoAnne Rau (Council Liaison), Mary Lou Pence (Staff Liaison).

Absent: Tom Wheeler, Marilou Enslein

Guests: None

A motion was made by Bill Abrams to accept the minutes from the November 11, 2014 meeting. Motion seconded by Yvonne Jacobson. Motion carried.

Announcements:

- Thank you to Debbie Schmidt for arranging our Christmas Dinner.
- Allen Nelson has volunteered to be the Commission's Secretary.
- Allen Nelson has volunteered to take over "Summer Landscape Packet" duties.
- Please turn in Holiday Lighting forms.
- Patty Kraft's new address passed out to members.
- Residential and Community Pride Awards for Holiday Lighting were announced at the December 15th City Council Meeting and will be published in the next Town Crier and on the City's website.

Upcoming Dates:

Spring Seminar

Saturday, March 14, 2015, Centerville High School Auditorium, 10:00 AM.

Arbor Day Tree Planting Ceremony

Wednesday, April 15th, 10:00 AM. Location-Iron Gate Park Drive. Planting 9 trees.

Tree City Luncheon

Friday, April 17th, 2015 hosted by Wyoming, Ohio

Flower selection at Stockslagers Greenhouse and Garden Center May 11, 2015

Four Corners Planting: Saturday, May 16th Time: TBA. Rain Date and time: TBA

Old Business:

- Spring Seminar Planning
 - Mary Lou Pence will create flyer and send out to members. Title will be What's Eating Our Trees. Speaker is Joe Boggs. Karen Beal to forward information. Sherry Leighty will email Joe Boggs to talk more about his topic. Door prizes: Jan Prettyman to ask Marilou

Enslin to take care of door prizes. Mary Lou Pence will provide sign in sheets and pens. No refreshments this year. Flier distribution to be completed by commission members. Maureen Russell Hodgson will submit event to Dayton Daily News. Mary Lou Pence to give email list. Emcee and intros: Jan Prettyman will ask the Mayor. Mary Lou Pence will set up MVCC to cover event. Promotional video to be completed by Jan Prettyman on Centerville Reports Today with Maureen Russell Hodgson. Directional signage for Centerville High School: Debbie Schmidt to borrow signs from her work. Joanne Rau to donate wire sign frames-Mary Lou Pence to create sign to go on them. Mary Lou Pence will provide the table cloths.

New Business:

- Heritage Tree Program and replacement update by Mary Lou Pence. Tree Commission Academy should be on the agenda monthly. 13 trees planted at Stubbs Park. 44 trees removed from around the city. 45 trees planted around the city.
- Future seminar suggestion by Karen Beal. She has a contact at Five Rivers Metro Park who can speak on Reforestation.
- Arbor Day Tree Planting Ceremony. Need tree suggestions from members for consideration for Iron Gate Park Drive. The entire street will be replanted with 9 of the trees representing the 9 elementary schools in the Centerville School District. Mary Lou will send us Marty's list of trees as a starting point.
- Summer Landscape Awards. Repeat July, August and September for award months for 2015. Mary Lou to order rocks for Landscape Award Winners and Mayor's Award. There are 2 potential Mayor's Award candidates for 2015. Mary Lou Pence asked the commission members to take pictures throughout our award season. She will print them on card stock, members to sign and mail.
- Four Corners: Yvonne Jacobson to ask managers at City Barbeque and Graeters if they are willing to provide lunch and ice cream on planting day. Mary Lou Pence asked members to bring to next month's meeting ideas on whether to use the same or different flowers this year. Sherry Leighty made a few suggestions. Judi Hetzer suggested using less sweet potato vine this year.

Council Liaison Comments:

By Joanne Rau: Cross Point Center where old theater was demolished possible development into apartments. Cornerstone project is moving along.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Yvonne Jacobson and seconded by Judi Hetzer.

Next meeting February 3, 2015

Adjournment at 8:35 PM

Submitted by Allen Nelson