

Centerville City Beautiful Commission

Meeting Minutes – January 7, 2014

Members Present: Marilou Enslein , Patty Kraft, Sherry Leighty, Jan Prettyman, Debbie Schmidt, Bill Abrams, Tom Wheeler, Mary Lou Pence, Karen Beal and Judi Hetzer

Members Absent: Allen Nelson, John Beals, Bonnie Sekely, Rob James and Yvonne Jacobson

Since we did not have a December meeting, Tom Wheeler moved to approve the minutes for November. Patty Kraft seconded the motion.

Announcements

Sherry Leighty reported that prior to the Holiday Walk she and Judi Hetzer completed the maintenance and clean-up at Four Corners.

There were no CBC representatives at the December City Council meeting to make the Holiday Lights Awards presentation. It was agreed that in the future a representative from the CBC will be at the December City Council meeting for the Holiday Lights Awards presentation.

Jan Prettyman shared that originally this month we were scheduled to have a new member, but unfortunately we learned that the proposed new member would not meet the minimum attendance requirements to qualify for being on the CBC.

Allen Nelson is scheduled for surgery and will begin rehab at Heartland of Miamisburg.

Spring Seminar

Plans continue for the Spring Seminar scheduled for Saturday February 8th entitled “Awesome Annuals”. The speaker, Pam Bennett, is very excited about presenting at the Seminar. All relevant information about the Seminar has been sent to Pam Bennett by Patty Kraft. For the hand-out, Ms. Bennett will e-mail specifics to Mary Lou Pence. Ms. Bennett will also bring a laptop and back-up projector. Patty Kraft will confirm Pam Bennett’s fee. Also it was mentioned that Pam Bennett’s expenses would be mostly mileage. Mayor Kingseed has agreed to introduce Ms. Bennett.

Mary Lou Pence and Marilou Enslein will handle the preparation of the door prizes. Flyer distribution location possibilities include Siebenthalers, Grandma's Gardens, The Flowerman, Centerville Florist and Far Hills Florist. The planning for videotaping of the Seminar is being handled by Mary Lou Pence.

Wildflower seeds are available from Centerville Mill for \$9.99 per bag (1 ¾ pounds per bag). Four bags will be needed. A motion was made by Marilou Enslein to purchase four bags of

seeds; the motion was seconded by Patty Kraft. The P.O. for the purchase of the seeds will be submitted by Mary Lou Pence.

Tree City Event

Plans continue for the Tree City event to be hosted by Tipp City, on Friday April 11th. Tom Wheeler and Bill Abrams indicated that they will be attending for the CBC.

Arbor Day

Stubbs Park is the location for our Arbor Day celebration on Wednesday April 16th at 10:00 AM. Nine cherry trees will be planted around the pond at the Veterans Memorial. Tom Wheeler will be the master of ceremonies.

Four Corners Flower Planning

It was agreed to stay with last year's color scheme of red, white and blue flower. The flowers from Stockslagers last year did not do as well as the ones purchased from there the previous year. One point mentioned was the year before at Stockslagers we pulled our own flowers. Last year the flowers were pulled by Stockslagers. Our preference is for us to pull our own flowers. Vendor possibilities this year include Meadow View, Scarff's out of New Carlisle, and Stockslager's out of New Lebanon. Mary Lou Pence will be sending RFP's to the vendors being considered. The Community Wide Clean-Up is scheduled for the week of May 5th. Flower delivery will be the week of May 12th with planting set for Saturday, May 17th.

Summer Landscape Awards

The framed print option is an alternative for the Mayor's Award recipient instead of the Summer Landscape Award. Sherry Leighty is working on getting additional information on the framed print option.

It was agreed that last year's cancellation of the CBC meetings for both June and July was not a good idea, mainly because there is too much CBC activity during the summer months. We decided to cancel the July meeting only.

There being no further business. Marilou Enslein made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sherry Leighty seconded the motion.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 4, 2014 at 7p.m., Public Works Center.

Submitted by William Abrams